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GREEK ORGANIZATIONS

Administration bans Sigma Pi from activities

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

A Sept. 16 party that "got a little out of hand" has resulted in semester-long social probation for the Sigma Pi fraternity.

Jeremy Zaerr, Sigma Pi president, said the fraternity was placed on social probation Oct. 10 for breaking certain College and Fraternal Insurance Protection Group (FIPG) rules. Social probation prohibits the fraternity from partaking in any official College activity, such as Homecoming, as a group. Members may still participate on an individual basis.

"According to FIPG, if you have a party it has to be monitored closely by the fraternity holding it," Zaerr said. "There can be no uncontrolled keg, you have to ask for IDs, and there is to be no freshmen served. We didn't follow these rules."

"We just had a party, and it got a little out of hand."

Doug Carnahan, dean of students, said he thinks the probation will send a message to the Greek community to promote responsibility during social functions.

"There were some violations that occurred, and they were put on probation as a result of those violations," Carnahan said.

Mark Stamps, Sigma Pi member, said the College is trying to send a negative message to the Greek community, especially Sigma Pi.

"They (the College) wanted to make a statement, and I feel like we are kind of the guinea pigs of the Greek system here at Southern," Stamps said. "They wanted to make a statement that alcohol is a serious crime. They thought—after we fessed up to what we did—that this was a good opportunity to use us as an example."

With many fraternities and sororities involved in parties where drinking is involved, Stamps said he wonders why the College is disciplining only one group and not the entire Greek system.

"Punishing everybody would not have been as easy as just punishing us," he said. "There was a party and a lot of us (Sigma PIs) were there, and we were an easy target. They picked the easy way out. It is true every fraternity is out there drinking, but it is not just frats who are drinking."

"There are also a lot of students who drink who are not in the Greek system."

Zaerr said even though he thinks the fraternity has no chance to get the punishment revoked, the Sigma PIs plan to appeal their case to clear the rumors around the College about the incident. The student/faculty hearing committee, consisting of the vice president for academic

affairs or his designate, two faculty members appointed by the College president, and two students appointed by the president of the Student Senate would have the authority to revoke or uphold Sigma Pi's probation.

"Basically we know we are not going to win, but we want everybody to know we are not bad guys," Zaerr said. "Guys do make mistakes, and we do accept the responsibility of our actions. The reason we are appealing is we shouldn't be stereotyped as a bad frat from now on."

Stamps thinks the probation has cast a shadow over all the fraternity has accomplished for the College and community in the past. Sigma Pi has been involved in the Adopt-A-Road program, Oak Hill Hospital's Halloween day, and the Special Olympics.

"As far as the negative stereotypes the administration and the campus have on Greeks, there is no way you can get rid of that," Stamps said. "I guess we can just try our hardest to go out there and help the community like we have in the past."

"We do a lot of good things, and then these negative connotations come up and stand in everybody's minds. People seem to forget how we help people like Dr. Tale's wife move after he passed away this past summer." □

Fraternity admits mistakes

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

While Sigma Pi serves a probation for violating College and fraternal policies, the fraternity is taking precautionary measures to ensure that future social functions abide by the regulations.

Tom Simpson, assistant professor of political science and Sigma Pi adviser, said he thinks the fraternity has taken the disciplinary action in stride.

"What our guys have done is shown a great deal of maturity on their part," he said. "We live in a litigious society. And they have taken definitive steps in ensuring that we are in full compliance with all laws concerning not only the state and College, but also of our own national fraternity."

"I am so impressed with the way these guys have responded to this."

Simpson said Sigma Pi members held a meeting to formulate a plan to prevent future problems.

"They sat down and made definitive

steps in making sure these things don't happen again," he said. "I have always been proud to be a Sigma Pi, but this incident has been good for us in a way of bringing forth a maturity factor in our membership."

Mark Stamps, a member of Sigma Pi, said the probation has alerted many of the fraternity members to the consequences of alcohol use from a College and personal standpoint.

"We are going to be a little more careful as far as the way things are run," Stamps said. "We are going to have to take a few extra precautions to make sure we don't make any mistakes or possibly have somebody getting hurt."

Simpson said College officials, particularly Doug Carnahan, dean of students, have given the fraternity a chance to plead its case.

"Doug Carnahan has been very willing to talk with us, and he has put his concerns in a written form," Simpson said. "We are not happy about this situation, and we recognize that we have made some mistakes." □

FOR A GOOD CAUSE



In the Billingsly Student Center cafeteria Wednesday, Jennafer Stokes, AERho president, tries to convince Ryan Jones, freshman secondary education major, and Robert Eudy, sophomore secondary education major, to vote for their favorite faculty or staff members to kiss a pig.

NCATE

Loss of accreditation hampers SMSU

Springfield college plans to appeal Council's decision

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

Missouri's largest producer of teachers recently took a serious hit to its education program and image.

The education program at Southwest Missouri State University has been denied reaccreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) for the first time. Reasons cited for the denial include lack of relationships with graduates, lack of cultural diversity of students and faculty, and an undefined mission.

SMSU, believing many of the steps it has taken in recent years to upgrade its program were overlooked by NCATE, plans to appeal the decision before the end of October.

If the appeal is successful, a team

will reevaluate the program sometime within the next two years.

SMSU's loss of accreditation hasn't gone unnoticed at Missouri Southern.

Dr. Michael Horvath, dean of the school of education and psychology, said the College is carefully planning for its NCATE on-site visit next fall. Southern last went through the process in 1991, but the standards have changed since then.

Horvath said NCATE will examine the quality of faculty and the assessment of students as they go through the teacher education program to make sure standards are being met when its on-site team visits the campus.

"And I think we're exemplary in all of those areas," he said. "If you've met those criteria, then everything else kind of falls into place behind that. This is an ongoing process; we never stop preparing because the field of education is growing tremendously in terms of the teaching and learning process."

Horvath, new on the job, thinks

Southern is moving in the right direction by offering multicultural workshops on campus and sending its student teachers to urban districts to work with students of various cultural backgrounds.

"If you compare what we are doing now five years ago, the level of awareness of multicultural issues is much higher on this campus, and I think that's a point in our favor," the dean said.

Horvath said his reaction to SMSU's loss of accreditation was one of sorrow.

"Because we feel a kinship with our colleagues at SMSU, we sympathize with them in their time of difficulty," he said. "But looking at the SMS program, their students are not going to be immediately affected by this loss of accreditation."

Of the approximate 3,000 institutions of higher education in the country, about 1,200 have teacher education programs. Roughly 500 of those schools are accredited by NCATE.

Horvath said a college possessing the NCATE stamp of approval commands two distinct advantages

First, the accreditation gives Southern and other smaller colleges some much-deserved visibility in their education programs. Second, he said graduates receiving a degree from an accredited school hold more clout in the marketplace.

"Graduates from nationally accredited institutions can have an assurance that their degrees are very sound," Horvath said. "And along with that, it will be easier for them to take their credentials and gain certification in other states."

Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs, believes Southern's program is well-prepared for the inspection next fall. He said the College is strong in all of the areas SMSU was found deficient in by NCATE.

"We've been working hard and look forward to their visit next year," Bitterbaum said. "The issue of cultural diversity is always a concern for small institutions who don't have access to a minority population and faculty. But we are working hard to meet the standards set by NCATE." □

CBHE

Board approves College's mission

Leon optimistic about possibilities

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

KIRKSVILLE, Mo.—

With the approval of the Coordinating Board for Higher Education, Missouri Southern can now initiate its Plan for Programmatic Initiatives.

The Board reviewed Southern's plan to infuse a global perspective throughout the curricula and other programs such as workshops, symposiums, and language immersion programs.

"We have been working with the staff of Missouri Southern to implement their mission," said Mary Findley, CBHE chair. "They are truly making an effort to make Missouri Southern an intercultural college."

College President Julio Leon spoke on behalf of Southern at the meeting.

"In the 26 to 27 years I have been at Missouri Southern, I can't remember an instance when the College has been more excited about the possibilities and the

opportunities we feel our institution and our students can benefit from this," Leon said. "We are thankful for the opportunity to pursue this initiative."

With the funding, the College hopes to implement degrees for international studies and international business.

"We think we are going to see many new programs that are going to make Missouri very proud," Leon said.

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Dr. Julio Leon
College president

The Board also reviewed Southern's operating appropriations and capital improvements requests for FY '97. The College requested \$795,697 to help expand its emphasis on international studies.

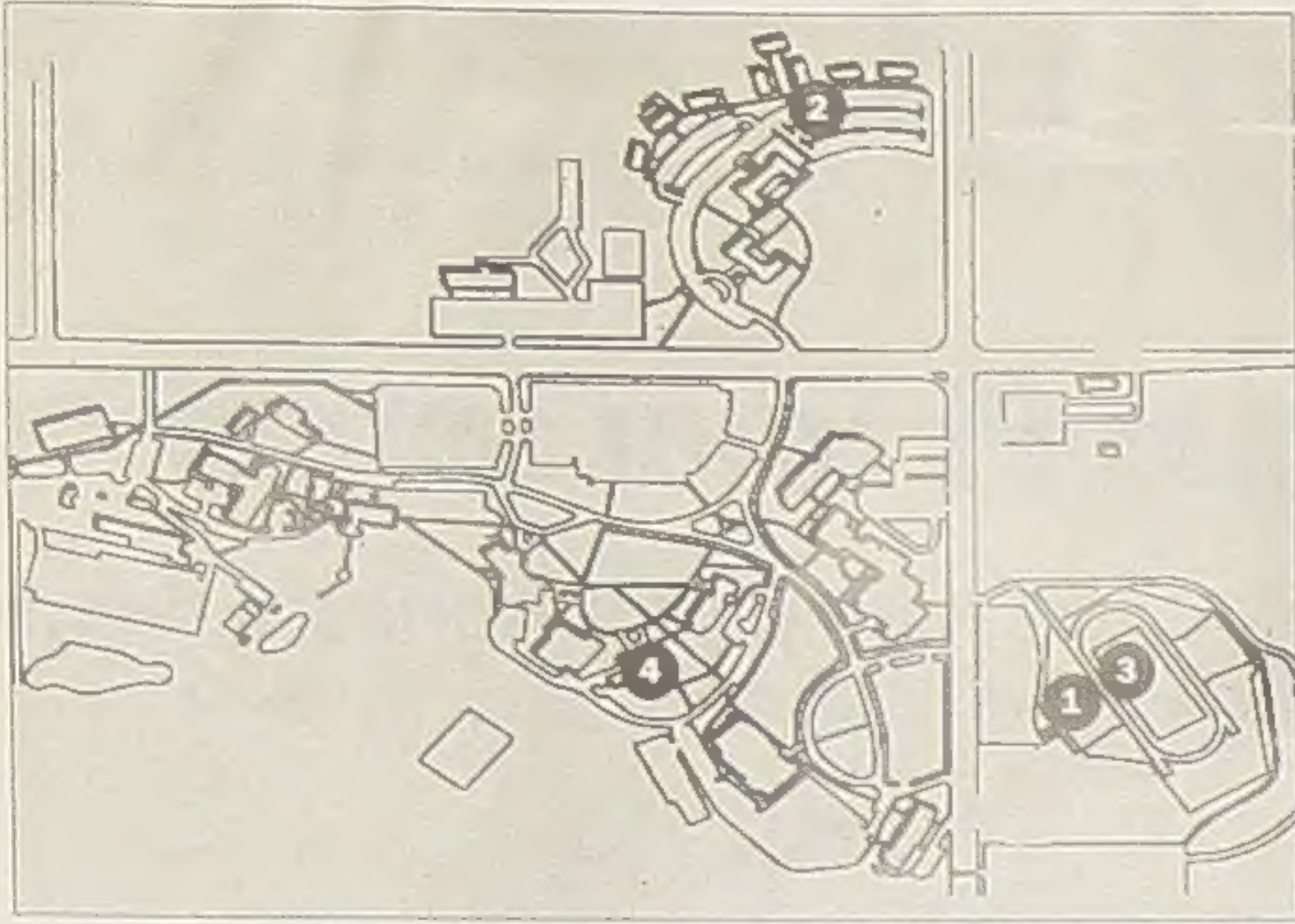
In the area of capital improvements, Southern has two projects at the top of the list, asking for \$7,064,213 to complete them. The Board recommended \$3.6 million to fund an addition to the Anderson Justice Center and \$600,000 to replace the main chiller in the Spiva Library.

The College will have to request an additional \$1.36 million for FY '98 to complete the Justice Center project. □

1995 Capital Budget Recommendations

	Southern's Request	CBHE's Recommendation
Anderson Justice Center	= \$4,961,263	→ \$3,600,000
Spiva Library (chiller)	= \$600,000	→ \$600,000
Ummel remodeling	= \$214,950	→ \$0
Fire alarm upgrade	= \$363,000	→ \$0
Mathews remodeling	= \$225,000	→ \$0
Young Gym addition	= \$400,000	→ \$0
Spiva Library addition	= \$300,000	→ \$0

SECURITY REPORT



- 1 10/12/95 LOT 14 2 p.m. Misty Caldwell, sophomore elementary education major, reported her brown purse containing \$5, two credit cards, and checkbook stolen from the front passenger side of her car.
- 2 10/13/95 LOT 23 7:15 a.m. Mandy Evans, sophomore undecided major, reported a scratch on her blue 1990 Chevrolet Blazer. The damage starts on the driver's side fender and continues to the rear quarter panel.
- 3 10/14/95 STADIUM 9 p.m. After a man at the football game was disciplining his son, officers were called due to a man wanting to confront the father. When Jasper County police and campus security arrived, the father was placed under arrest and had to be sprayed with mace.
- 4 10/16/95 SPIVA LIBRARY 1 p.m. A female student became frightened when a man began following her in the library all the way to Mr. Jay Field's office in the Taylor Performing Arts Building, where he stood waiting for her. Security will be contacted if the man is seen in the future.

CHARITY DRIVE

College officials offer spaces for United Way

Tickets available for raffle drawing Oct. 30

BY DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

In the name of charity, several College officials are putting their parking places up for grabs.

College President Julio Leon, along with various department heads, are giving up their parking spots close to their respective buildings as a fundraiser for the Joplin United Way. This organization funds charities in the community such as the Salvation Army, Cerebral Palsy of the Tri-County, and the American Red Cross.

Southern raised \$16,450 for the United Way last year. The goal for the city of Joplin as a whole is \$680,000.

Chances for Leon's spot near Hearnes Hall and other choice spots are now available for \$1 a ticket from the United Way captain in each department. Winners of the Oct. 30 drawing will be permitted to park in the space from Nov. 6-10. Among the deans and department heads offering their parking privileges are Dr. Michael Horvath (Taylor Hall), James Gray (Matthews Hall), and Dr. John Messick (Reynolds Hall).

"They're good sports and glad to do it for a very good cause," said Nancy Loomer, director of career planning and placement and co-chair

of the College's United Way drive.

Loomer said chance tickets can be purchased by College employees, students, and other faculty. And there is no limit on the number of tickets one person can buy.

"They can buy as many as they like," she said. "I think any way to benefit the United Way is great."

Dr. J.R. Moorman, assistant professor of communications and captain of the communications department team, believes giving up a parking space for a week is well worth the United Way cause.

"I would give up my parking space for a year if it would help one person have a better life," Moorman said. "My job as captain is to get 100 percent participation and get everyone in my department to contribute something."

Moorman said the United Way is one organization people can trust to use most of the money it raises to assist the needy. He stressed the importance of keeping the money in the Joplin area.

"It may be tough to beat the amount we raised last year," he said, "but it's a great thing to try."

In other parking news, Dr. Jack Oakes, head of the department of computer science, is raffling off his parking spot on the south side of Matthews Hall for the month of November.

Oakes said it didn't take much convincing to give up his parking place for 30 days to battle for a spot in the

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Dr. J.R. Moorman
Captain of the communications department team

student parking lots in order for the Computer Information Science Club to raise money.

"I'm glad to help raise money and support the club," Oakes said. "The CIS Club is the organization for our majors, so it's important that I be willing to help them out." □

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HIGHER EDUCATION

CBHE blueprint to benefit state

Committee sets goal to improve literacy in technical education

By GENIE UNDERNEHR
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

KIRKSVILLE, Mo.—

Throughout the next few years, the advisory committee to the Coordinating Board for Higher Education will develop a plan to make post-secondary vocational/technical education accessible to more areas in the state.

Dr. John Wittstruck, committee member, introduced a blueprint for a higher education delivery system on Oct. 12.

"As we undertake this year of major planning initiatives, it is useful to have concepts for understanding our current delivery system," he said. "The state of Missouri is privileged, I think, to have a rich diversity of public and independent higher education. We can take pride in the fact that we do have this kind of delivery system providing baccalaureate education to most of our students."

But Wittstruck said with the state's technical schools, just the opposite is true.

"There is a need for statewide access to lower-division education because we have a big portion of the state not covered by most community or technical colleges.

"In 1993, community colleges put together voluntary service areas," he said. "They accepted the responsibility and made a commitment to work with those counties in their areas to provide access to lower-division education and customized training. The fruit of this kind of effort is beginning to pay off."

Wittstruck said a link exists between the presence of a delivery system such as a community college and enrollment in vocational/technical or four-year institutions. And he said there are many adults who do not have the literacy skills they need to compete for jobs in the new technological fields.

"We need to fulfill the responsibility we have to provide our businesses and industries with the tal-

ent pools they need to be productive businesses," he said.

Wittstruck said the literacy issue is more severe with the older population than with the younger.

"The greater number is the 45- to 55-year group of people who have been employed but are becoming unemployed because they no longer have the skills for the technology that is now essential," he said. "One of the challenges is to take that 26- or 27-year-old young man or woman who dropped out of high school 10 or 15 years ago and get them to return to school."

In addition to the delivery system, the blueprint will address three other issues.

Through the advisory committee, the CBHE will develop and coordinate an effective telecommunication delivery system to ensure geographic access to postsecondary education, review the higher education public policy framework, and continue to review institutional missions.

Dr. Kala Stroup, new CBHE commissioner, said the first step in implementing the blueprint is to get an idea of what is already in existence and then draw up a plan.

"Planning is not done in one day, and it is not done in one year," she said. "So we are going to take what I consider an evolutionary approach to the planning."

Stroup said the advisory committee will serve as a discussion group and the CBHE will be the executive committee. Resource groups from the advisory committee will do most of the planning.

"The resource groups, people who are knowledgeable and who have the time, will be our experts," she said.

"They will do the dreaming and the designing for us. The CBHE will use the advisory committee to review the work of the resource groups and the various recommendations that will be coming forward."

Stroup said the plans will be launched at the Governor's Conference for Higher Learning on Dec. 7 in St. Louis.

"We will discuss it, and afterwards we will compile what people have said and get that information to the resource groups and the design teams," she said. "We're pretty excited about the possibilities." □

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Dr. John Wittstruck
Committee member

YOU MISSED A SPOT



Bobby Huffman, sophomore undecided major, waxes his Dodge Ram in front of the residence halls Wednesday. Students have been enjoying the unseasonably-warm upper-70s October temperatures.

SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

Upgrade adds versatility

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With the addition of a \$100,000 computer, Missouri Southern has jumped into a league few colleges or universities are in.

A Silicon Graphics Workstation computer with the capability to run 50 times faster than the state-of-the-art Pentium computer the school of technology already has in up and running.

For a week now the system has been in use by instructors and four select students.

The computer, along with a laser the school of technology has, allows users to scan items and place them on the computer to work on projects two-dimensionally.

"We can do a lot of things; we're just scratching the surface," said Dr. Jack Spurlin, dean of the school of technology.

"There's probably not another college in the nation who has this laser-computer combination."

Work by Southern students has already been completed for a gun company in St. Louis. Students will soon be working on another project using the technology for a company in Dallas.

"We're providing companies with solutions to problems they had no idea how to solve before," said Don Schultz, instructor of computer assisted manufacturing technology.

The four students selected to use the new system are at the top of their class, Schultz said.

"If we're not careful who we put

College finds new vendor

By Nov. 29, Missouri Southern may have a new computer vendor.

However, Creation Computers may stay on to help with the College's computer needs. Creation Computers is a Joplin-based computer company that has held Southern's contract for three years.

Having the contract allows departments to purchase computers immediately without having to bid out the contract every time. Computer systems containing the computer, monitor, keyboard, and mouse cost approximately \$1,400 each.

According to Steve Earney, assistant vice president for information services, the

College is expecting around 100 bids.

Having Creation Computers as the vendor was helpful to the College, he said. The computers were built by Creation and could easily be serviced.

Earney said he sent out questionnaires to faculty asking them for input about the new contract, but has received only three responses.

"One was neutral, one was very critical, and one was very laudatory over the current vendor, so it's been a wash," he said.

Earney is hoping for a quick decision because he has labs planned for assembly in the near future. □

on the scanner, they can do an awful lot of damage," Schultz said.

The time reduction involved with the new computer is the main element getting those involved with it so excited.

"It's not so much the quality of the product as the speed of the thing," said Jim Hedge, junior management technology major.

Hedge said he used to take him anywhere from a couple of hours to an entire day to make editing changes on a product, but now the time is cut to a matter of seconds.

The computer contains 16 MegaRAM worth of memory to help quicken the pace.

Students in computer aided drafting and manufacturing tech-

nology classes will mainly benefit from this system, but Spurlin said another computer is on the way that will allow students to express their more creative side through computer animation.

The new system also has Internet access. With a camera mounted atop the computer, it allows a picture of the user to be transmitted as well.

"This is an Internet surfer's dream," Schultz said.

The computer was purchased through funds provided by the Mid-America Manufacturing Technology Center.

MAMTC is a consultative organization that sends representatives to help solve problems in manufacturing-related work areas. □

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Learning Center, Wilson assist foreign students

By STEPHANIE GOAD
STAFF WRITER

Foreign students having difficulty with English as a Second Language (ESL) may obtain extra help at no cost through the Learning Center at Missouri Southern.

Leta Wilson, ESL tutor, aids foreign students who have difficulty reading, speaking, writing, and comprehending the English language.

She said learning English is more difficult for the foreign students speaking another language because most Americans who grow up speaking English learn through what they hear.

"When we learn our first language we learn by imitation," Wilson said.

She said those students who are struggling to learn the English language and all of the grammatical rules therein must listen and read a great deal in order to become familiar with it.

"The biggest thing is how much contact they have with people speaking the English language," she said.

"Some students come to the United States as children," Wilson said. "They attend junior high and high schools and are able to pick up some of the English, but have no real grasp of grammar. They

need work on understanding the rules."

Wilson also said some of the students who began learning English as adults know the rules better than most Americans speaking the language because they have studied them more. However, they often have difficulty expressing themselves orally.

Wilson enrolled as a student in 1984 when the Learning Center was relatively new. She was asked to tutor foreign students because she had prior ESL experience.

She said foreign students at the time were assigned to her because "all the other English tutors in the Learning Center were trained as writing tutors and did not understand the special problems people dealing with a second language."

Wilson said she is not currently enrolled in classes due to the increased demand for her services in the Learning Center in addition to her own private tutoring service. This, she said, allows for little study time.

Due to severe health problems, Wilson took some time off from 1986 to 1988 but later returned in 1989 to part-time tutoring in the Learning Center. She has tutored each fall and spring semester since.

She said she has a temporary staff contract with the Learning Center for 100 hours of tutoring this semester.

Wilson has met 15 foreign students this semester, although, due to schedule con-



Cynthia Jack, junior marketing major, gets help from Leta Wilson in the Learning Center. Wilson works with many foreign students from Russia, India, Kenya, and Korea.

licts, she is unable to help all of them. She meets with approximately a dozen each week.

Out of the students Wilson works with, most are Vietnamese and members of the CMC brotherhood in Carthage. She has one student each from Russia, India, Kenya, and Korea.

Wilson said she is not the only tutor working with foreign students.

"Most also have writing tutors to help them

with composition," she said.

Wilson tends to concentrate on listening and pronunciation skills, but most of all on writing skills "because it's what they do more," she said.

"One of the things I try to encourage students to do as much as possible is to try, when listening to people speak English, to notice not only what the people are saying, but how they are saying it," Wilson said. □

SOUTHERN NEWS BRIEFS

Faculty/staff member to kiss pig for Tourette

Missouri Southern's chapter of the National Broadcasting Society AERho is holding a pig-kissing contest as a fund raiser for Tourette Syndrome research.

The contest will continue until Oct. 26.

Contestors for 14 faculty and staff members are in the Billingsly Student Center Lions' Den by the bookstore.

The cost is 25¢ per vote, and people can vote as many times as they want.

The faculty member who collects the most money will kiss a pig at 1:15 p.m. Friday at the Homecoming all-campus

SBDC, ASQC to hold empowerment forum

Quality Forum XI, with the theme "Quality Happens Through People: Leadership, Life-long Learning and Empowerment" will be held from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26.

Registration opens at 7:45 a.m. Breakfast will be in the Billingsly Student Center at 8 a.m. with Terry Marion, director of Human Resources, Eagle-Picher Industries, Inc., as the featured speaker. His topic will be "Empowerment: The Rest of the Story."

The forum will begin at 10 a.m. and continue until 12:30 p.m. in Matthews Hall auditorium, and will be broadcast via satellite.

The registration fee is \$29. The forum is sponsored by the American Society for Quality Control, Missouri Southern, the Small Business Development Center, and Leggett & Platt, Inc. The Joplin-Springfield 1306 section of ASQC is a national, professional, not-for-profit association that has more than 120,000 members. The Joplin-Springfield ASQC has more than 300 members.

For additional information, persons may contact the SMDC at Southern at (417) 625-3128. □

Panel to address professional ethics

Area educators and Missouri Southern student teachers will hear a panel address professional ethics during a seminar from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 27 in Taylor Hall Room 113.

Panelists include Louetta Floyd, president of the Missouri State Teachers Association; Sandra Huichias, president of the Missouri Community Teachers Association; Dr. Jerry Stark, superintendent of Carl Junction schools; and Nancy Looome, director of Southern's Career Planning and Placement office.

A separate seminar for cooperating teachers who supervise Southern's student teachers will be held from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 10, in Taylor Hall Room 113.

These are two in a series of seminars on clinical supervision, professionalism, and information technology.

Dr. Cameron Pulliam, director of clinical and field experiences, is coordinating the two seminars.

For additional information, persons may call (417) 625-9314. □

School of business to host reception

The school of business administration is hosting a Homecoming alumni reception from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, in the atrium at the Joplin Holiday Inn.

Dress is casual and spouses and guests are welcome. The reception is one of the highlights of Missouri Southern's Homecoming '95.

Reservations are requested, but not required. For additional information, persons may call (417) 625-9319. □



OUR EDITORIALS

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Sigma Pi needs to change flavor

Four strikes and you're out. After being slapped with probation by the College on Oct. 10, Missouri Southern's Sigma Pi fraternity could be nearing its demise if members don't straighten up.

The fraternity has given itself two more chances to pull the bad weeds out of its bunch before the administration plows the whole group from Southern's garden.

Southern's largest fraternity's string of misfortune is beginning to fray at the edges due to irresponsibility on the group's part during its social functions.

On Sept. 16, the Sigma PIs held a party outside of Joplin city limits in an open field. That, in itself, was allowable.

But the fraternity, who said it had not expected a large gathering, let the party get out of hand, not checking students for legal drinking age and allowing the keg to be uncontrolled.

For these reasons, the College has stomped its foot upon the Sigma PIs. And as well it should have.

But there is one question concerning the way the College

handled the fraternity's discipline. As stated in the student handbook, there are four levels of punishment: a warning, probation, suspension, and expulsion.

But according to Sigma Pi president Jeremy Zaer, Doug Camahan, dean of students, never gave the fraternity a warning. Instead, Camahan stuck a probation stamp smack dab across the fraternity's Greek letters. Another Sigma Pi member, Mark Stamps, said he thinks the fraternity has been turned into the guinea pigs of the Greek circle.

But it is its actions that have turned the fraternity into laboratory experiments, not the College.

But did the Sigma PIs need a warning?

They have been throwing parties since their inception at the College five years ago, so you would think they know the ins and outs of throwing a social function.

We hope the message the College has sent to the Sigma PIs will echo throughout the Greek community for its own benefit, or its social life could end up lying in a Greek morgue. □

YOUR LETTERS

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Christianity not synonymous with hate

I am writing in response to Fekadu Kiro's column titled "Hatred in the name of God." I must say I found it to be unresearched and overall very offensive.

First of all, there is the tie the author seems to be making between Christianity and prejudice.

Granted, Hitler used a few misinterpreted verses to back up his claim of a so-called master race, but the underlying theme of the Bible is to love one another. If Hitler were a true representation of a Christian, and not the madman that he was, there never would have been a World War II.

In the same fashion, those in power in the days of colonization took a single verse out of context and used it to justify their beliefs.

The thing that is important to remember is that the Bible is a complex book of interrelated stories.

Stories that never stand on their own, but rather depend on something from another story or verse to divulge their true meaning. Therefore, the unspoken claim of the author that Christianity is synonymous with prejudice is without basis.

Second, the author makes the statement that extremists use the Bible to oppress people in the name of traditional values. She says abortion is a classic example of this. "Their cover is that the

Bible says abortion is wrong and thus all women should abide by it." And yes, in a roundabout way, this is said.

However, this in no way removes a woman's right to choose. Women always have the right to choose.

The right to say yes or no to sex has in no way been challenged.

What has been challenged is the responsibility of women to live with the consequences of their decisions.

And to her statement that we as Christians "oppress" homosexuals because of the Bible, I must challenge the research done in this area.

While there are those extremists who, once again, take one misinterpreted verse of the Bible and run with it, the majority of mainstream Christians in no way hate or wish to oppress homosexuals.

They adhere to God's law of "hating the sin, and loving the sinner."

Yes, God said homosexuality is wrong, and so it is. But to say that we as Christians hate homosexuals is to make a statement that not only is prejudice in its own right, but truly goes against what God has said.

And finally, I must burst the bubble of every feminist out there.

God never in any way put men in a role of superiority. He instructed women to "submit to husbands as to the Lord." (Eph. 5:22) However, he goes on to say

"Husbands, love your wives just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for it." (Eph. 5:25) It is a symbiotic relationship.

The wife is dependent upon the husband, and the husband upon the wife.

In a situation such as this, where two are equally dependent on each other, how could it be said that God was proclaiming the superiority of one over the other.

And the verse to which the author refers is one that she, herself, has misinterpreted.

If man was created in the image of God, and women is the glory of man, then wouldn't women also be the glory of God? And is it really a bad thing to be the glory of God?

In conclusion, I feel it must be said that the atrocities of extremists, such as Hitler, were just that, atrocities.

People such as these are called extremists because they are out of the mainstream, and it is not fair to try to equate them in any way to the majority of mainstream Christians, because the beliefs of mainstream Christians can best be summed up by 1 John 4:8. "Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love."

Jason Owen

Freshman communications major

A big 'thank you' for volunteers' hard work

I would like to express my gratitude for the wonderful support my office received from faculty, staff, and students prior to and during Career Development Day.

Student turnout was by far our biggest yet. We had 771 sign in at Billingsly Student Center and another 353 attend the academic break-out sessions in Matthews Hall. Much of the credit for this record attendance goes to the faculty who encouraged their students to attend.

A special THANK YOU is due those in the Accounting Club who sacrificed their own career day to join forces with career planning and placement this year. They supplied us with their database of employers, secured panelists for career break-out sessions, and volunteered their services to man registration tables and serve as moderators.

The school of business and the computer information science faculty are also due tremendous thanks.

Their support was unmatched as they provided all the classroom space in Matthews Hall for the academic break-out sessions.

They also had their students attend the career break-out sessions related to their majors, making those sessions an overwhelming success.

The evaluations from those students indicate the event was well worth their

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Father lives on in memory

Family's fight with illness brings members closer together

The more I think about him, the more I can remember. I often find it hard to recall in great detail what my father was like. If a person asks me to describe him, or a particular event involving him, it usually takes a long while. The stories also usually begin short and vague, but the more I talk, the more he comes back to me.

My father was short, about 5-foot-7. He weighed between 215 and 230 pounds throughout most of his adult life. Dad had blonde hair, blue eyes, and an honest face. My mother says his theme song was "I'm a little teapot, short and stout."

In many ways my dad was everything a father is said to be. He was a workaholic, but he knew where to draw the line. The line was that nothing was more important than the family. Specifically, I remember when he would take turns taking my brother Jonathan and me to breakfast. I remember well those mornings when it was my turn. I remember going either to Denny's or McDonald's. I remember the smells of breakfast everywhere. The appetizing smell of hash-browns and the sound of eggs frying. I remember seeing men in business suits and ties ordering coffee with their eggs and pancakes. I remember the sounds of waiters and waitresses, the clanking of plates, and the sounds of other kids out to breakfast with their dads.

Every summer we would take a family trip to Colorado. One of my favorite places was a tourist spot called "The Garden of the Gods." As dad drove us in the park, we looked up and saw the fun-

Nick
Parker
Sports Editor



niest thing any of the family had ever seen. Up in the mountains were two rocks nature had shaped to look like two camels. The funny part was, the camels were kissing! Thus the name "Kissing Camels." Unfortunately, I can remember little else about those trips except they were fun and I miss them now that they are gone.

In 1982, a strange mole was found on my father's head. It was malignant, and was removed as soon as possible. But it was too late. The cancer known as melanoma had already started its deadly course. I remember going with dad for his radiation and chemotherapy treatments.

We would walk into this cold, dark room with a huge light-brown table and machine in the middle of it. The radiation treatment room was brown, and dad had to empty his pockets and change into a hospital gown. I had to leave the room but was allowed to sit with one of the nurses and watch dad on a TV monitor. I recall the nurse looking at me

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IN PERSPECTIVE

Honor ... a fading concept

Disrespect for tradition and courtesy is obvious at Southern

SEX! In writing this column, I considered many ideas: thought about writing on campus apathy, then decided no one would read it; considered promoting involvement in activities, but didn't have the time; wanted to beg support for our athletes, but didn't think it would do much good. I had so many ideas, but rather than take my 500 words and try to plead one case, I decided to mix and match a few important campus issues. My apologies to those who read the first paragraph to decide whether or not to continue. This time ya gotta go all the way to da end.

• In recent weeks we've discussed naming streets with spirit names rather than after historical figures. Perhaps, I was a bit hasty in my comment on the naming of the streets. Certainly a place of honor is deserved for those who have given much to the campus in service. In a campus lacking in tradition, maybe naming streets after our founders is a good idea. But, do enough students care about the history of our institution? How many know who Leon Billingsly was and what he contributed to the school? How many realize that the names which adorn our residence halls represent around 200 years of classroom dedication? I wonder.

• Whatever happened to courtesy? It would seem the simplest solution of the smoking issues on campus would be for the smokers to try to stay out of the doorways. And non-smokers need to understand when it's raining or cold there aren't any facilities to smoke in. It's too hard to nod a polite thank you to those who do take the time to go out of their way for each other? I wonder.

• Anyone ever notice how really trashy the campus often looks? From cigarette butts discarded on the way to class to broken bottles in the parking lot, do appearances no longer mean anything? Does anyone care enough to take a little pride in our campus? I wonder.

• The display of offensive symbols seems to be a hot topic as well, from provocative Homecoming posters to Confederate flags. Yet, this is a college campus, a home to a veritable plethora of ideas and ideals. How can we truly have a culturally diverse campus without

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Student Senate
President



some clash of what we believe in? We can't very well stop serving meat in the cafeteria because it offends vegetarians. In order for us to learn what is truly the correct path, it is often necessary to confront philosophies which conflict with our own.

What would happen if we did limit each other's voice? If moral majority always ruled? I wonder.

• I wish the concept of honor was more prevalent at Southern. James Frank Hopkins once said, "My Brother's troubles must be my troubles; we must live together as one family." How often do we claim to be our brother's keeper, but instead demean him and subject him to question?

Words should be more than just words, and promises should be sacred.

How many talk the way of honor, and how many actually walk the path? I wonder.

No, I didn't write about sex, drugs, violence, oppression, or O.J.

And, although I too miss the Slurpee, I kinda like Joplin for what it is, and Missouri Southern for what I want it to be.

As one of my mentors often quotes, we are a campus of the elite. Many in this area do not wish to expand their minds with a college education, and others lack the opportunity to do so. Central to this notion is that as leaders, we do a little extra. Take time to find out about our tradition. Go out of the way to be courteous.

Pick up someone else's trash. Listen to the voice of others and consider what they have to say, or at least give them the right to say it.

But most importantly, let each decision be guided by honor, by the question, "Did I do right?"

That way we don't have to wonder. □

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FACULTY SENATE

Faculty debates value of 'Who's Who'

Members discuss
United Way drive;
changes at SMSU

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD
EDUCATION EDITOR

It may take a second glance to distinguish the instructors from the students Monday. Faculty will have an opportunity to sport jeans and sneakers to class as part of fund-raising activities for the United Way.

Co-chairs for the annual campaign are Dr. Pat Kluthe, assistant director of the honors program, and Nancy Loomer, director of career planning and placement. They suggest a \$2 donation to participate in "dress down day," but any size donation is accepted.

In addition, the parking spots of

several faculty members, including College President Julio Leon's, will be raffled. The drawing will be held Oct. 30, and winners will be able to use the parking spaces Nov. 6-10. [See related story, page 2.]

The Student Senate is also participating in the United Way drive. If the students raise \$1,000, the Senate wants to designate Friday, Nov. 3 as open parking day.

Only handicapped parking spaces would remain reserved that day.

Marvin Larson, business instructor, reported that the athletic committee discussed the possibility of allowing junior and senior varsity athletes to pre-enroll at the same time as honors students.

Jim Frazier, men's athletic director, made the suggestion as a result of an athlete being denied entrance to a closed class even

though the instructor was willing to accommodate the student.

The change was proposed to allow students to take classes at times that would least interfere with the teams' schedules.

Dr. Glenn Dolence, vice president for student services, informed the athletic committee that he had received two complaints concerning smoking in Hughes Stadium. The NCAA rule book prohibits the use of tobacco; however, the rule may apply only to athletes.

It was recommended that the specific rule be posted at the entrances to Hughes Stadium and that a public address announcement be made to remind the fans that Missouri Southern is a non-smoking campus.

Discussion of Southwest Missouri State's loss of accreditation for its education program included speculation that some of

those students may transfer to Southern.

"I'm not sure what happened," said Dr. Erik Bitterbaum, vice president for academic affairs. "The University of Missouri also pulled out before their review because they knew they were not going to pass. Obviously, it's a feather in our cap that we are accredited."

Dr. David McConnell, assistant professor of education, sees the loss in broad terms.

"The department does not take any pleasure in seeing an institution of the size and stature of SMSU fail accreditation," he said. "It does not serve education."

Additional discussion centered around the nomination of students to "Who's Who" directories.

"Several people have talked to me about nominating students for 'Who's Who,'" said Dr. John

Knapp, associate professor, geophysics.

"A lot of faculty members feel it is a scam. When you nominate a student, their name gets put on a mailing list and so does their parents' and grandparents'. The student's name goes in the book, and then they attempt to sell the book."

Larson questioned whether recruiters ever consider a "Who's Who" listing, and Bitterbaum noted that nearly 80 percent of the resumes he sees cite a "Who's Who" distinction.

"The requirements for these 'truly exceptional students' is a 3.0 GPA," Knapp said. "That probably does not constitute 'truly exceptional students.'"

"For the students, the fact that a faculty member nominated them means something," Bitterbaum said. □

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

Multimedia buffs create think tank

By LESLIE ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

More than 30 faculty and staff members attended an organizational meeting of the multimedia interest group Friday afternoon.

Brad Kleindl, assistant professor of business, was the organizer of the group.

"Our first meeting went very well," he said. "People from just about every discipline expressed interest in belonging to the group."

The group discussed a number of topics. Kleindl demonstrated the use of the World Wide Web, as well as MacroMedia Director, the most powerful multimedia development platform software currently available. Group members were impressed by the demonstrations, although "people who showed up at the meeting were probably the people who are most on the cutting edge of multimedia development across campus."

"Everyone has skills in many different areas," Kleindl said. "What we need is to start doing some cross-training so we'll be able to see what everyone else is using and how we can actually use this in the classroom."

The immediate plan for the

group is for various people to hold software/hardware demonstrations, the first planned for 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 1. Dr. Brian Babbitt, professor of psychology, will give a demonstration of Astound software to show not only what he has done in the classroom with it, but how the software works.

After the first presentation, the group plans at least one more demonstration before the semester's end. Possible topics include homepage authoring, the World Wide Web, and MacroMedia Director.

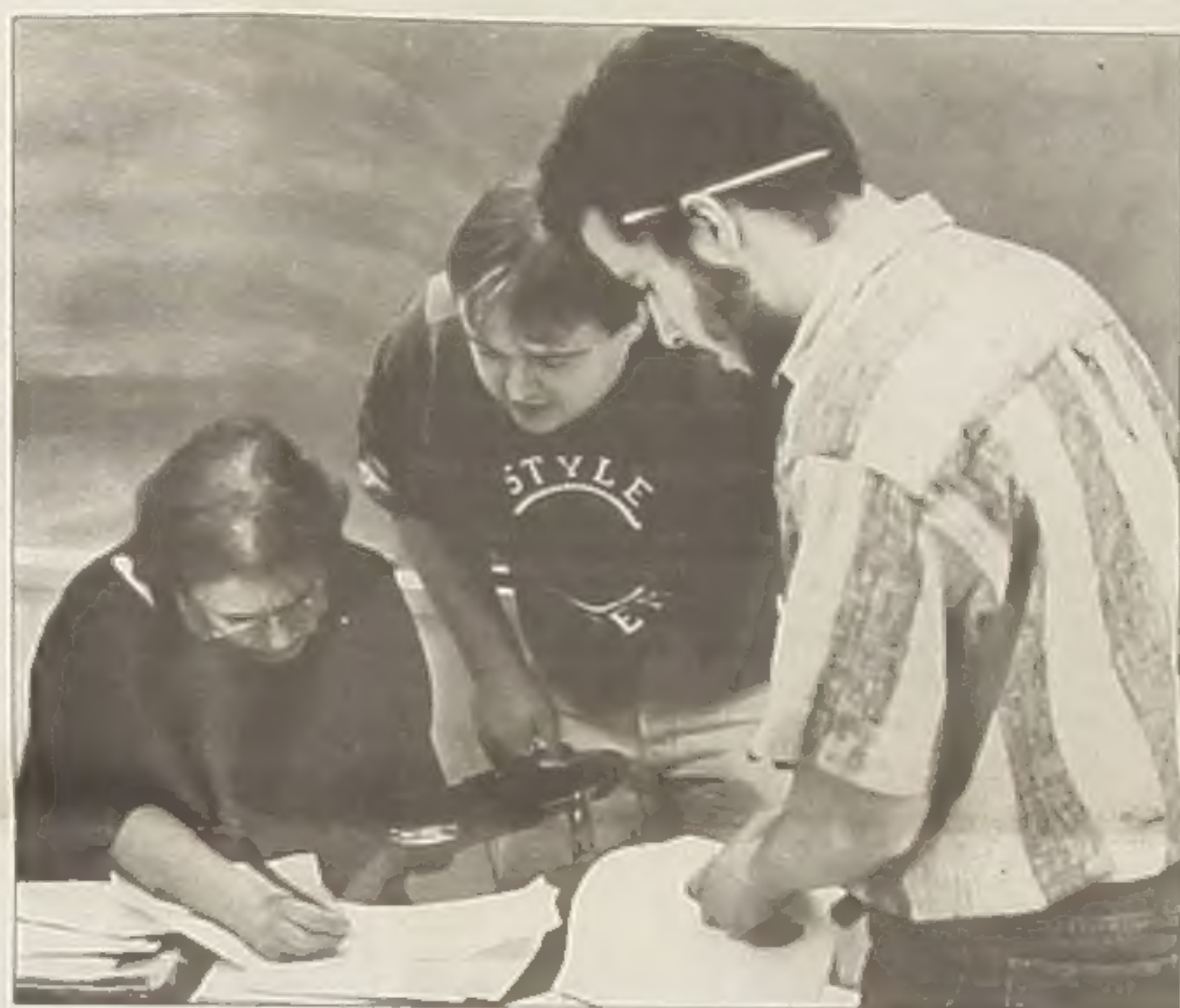
"Basically, what we want to do is give faculty and students across campus an idea of the possibilities of multimedia in the classroom," Kleindl said.

The group currently has no regular meeting scheduled, other than the training session on Nov. 1. However, Kleindl did say members plan to convene again at the beginning of next semester. The group is open to anyone with an interest in multimedia.

"I would definitely encourage anyone who has an interest to contact me, then I'll put them in my database and send them regular mailings," he said.

Kleindl can be contacted by phone at 625-3120, or by E-mail at <kleindl@vm.mssc.edu>. □

COLLEGE ORIENTATION



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

College Orientation leader Linda Gilbert answers questions as John Smith, freshman undecided major,

Classroom tests leadership

By AILEEN GRONEWOLD
EDUCATION EDITOR

For the past eight weeks, 45 students have played a new role in the classroom. They volunteered as College Orientation leaders and found out what it's like on the other side of the desk.

The students applied for the program last spring, and those who were selected attended several training classes.

Working under the auspices of faculty mentors, they created their own lesson plans and decided how to present the specified curriculum.

"It's designed to be leadership training," said Linda Gilbert, senior sociology major. "I think that's what I achieved from it. I would no longer be afraid to be in front of people if I knew what I was talking about."

The curriculum includes seminars on AIDS and alcohol abuse and tours of the campus and the library, so orientation leaders do not have lecture material to pre-

sent in every class. Still, Gilbert found the preparation especially difficult.

"I'm not an education major, and I found the lesson plans very overwhelming," she said. "It was new for me."

For Lori Page, junior elementary education major, the lesson plans came easier.

"I figured it would help me to be in a classroom," she said. "Even though it's not elementary school, I could feel the pressures of being at the front of the room. It was a good experience."

Page had 10 traditional students in her class, and Gilbert had 10 non-traditional students. Both leaders faced situations that did not go as well as they had planned.

"At the beginning, we had so many activities outside the classroom," Page said. "People didn't know each other, and I couldn't get them to talk. We played an ice-breaker game, and that really helped."

Gilbert's students also expressed a need to have more

time in the classroom.

"I don't think the AIDS seminar went as well as I wanted it to," Gilbert said. "The class really complained about it. At one point, they were filling out a form that contained very personal questions, and they were sitting too close to each other to feel comfortable."

Despite the less successful times, however, Gilbert would like to be a College Orientation leader again next fall.

"I've been stuck in Webster Hall, and this got me out of the building, meeting new people," she said. "It was refreshing, even though it was tiring at times."

"When I was a freshman, my orientation class was a really good experience," Page said. "I got to know a lot of people, and it was fun. I mainly wanted to be an orientation leader so I could help the new freshmen."

Orientation leaders receive two credit hours in addition to the leadership experience. Students interested in participating may contact Susan Craig at 625-9542. □

HIGHER EDUCATION BRIEFS

Lincoln considers athletic fund raising

Ron Coleman, Lincoln University athletic director, wants to rebuild the institution's sports programs by using the same revenue-generating strategy that other colleges and universities have used over the years: lead with athletics.

"Athletics is poised to pluck the nostalgic heartstrings of former students," Coleman told the Lincoln Board of Curators. "This puts athletics in a prime position to begin raising funds for the university and for the development and improvement of our program so that once again we can be a source of pride for our students, alumni, and community."

Coleman said Lincoln's two greatest problems are an absence of fund-raising efforts and inadequate athletic facilities.

"Our athletic department has existed entirely on general revenue funds," he said. "Our facilities are substandard, and there are no plans for updating or replacing facilities."

Coleman has proposed an athletic plan of action that would include creating a fund-raising program, developing a plan for capital improvements, identifying and modifying those institutional policies which have created obstacles to the recruitment and retention of quality student athletes, and restructuring the athletic department.

He would also like to see an increased use of booster clubs to promote individual sports. His plan includes concession sales by booster club volunteers, merchandising of Lincoln paraphernalia, and seeking corporate sponsorships and grants. □

Westminster recovers from 65-year fumble

Westminster College in Fulton, Mo., has announced plans to resume football next season after a 65-year hiatus.

"Football is something potential college students have been asking about for years," Westminster President James Traer said.

Westminster dropped football in May 1932—after an undefeated 1931 season—to save its \$4,000 cost. A search is under way for a coach to head the new program.

The return to football is part of a package of academic programs and athletics that will be implemented at a cost of \$900,000. The money was donated from the estate of Eugene Newnam, who graduated the year football was discontinued. □

Chinese artist at SMSU receives \$20,000 grant

Zhi, Lin, assistant professor of art at Southwest Missouri State University, has received a \$20,000 Visual Artists Fellowship Grant from the National Endowments for the Arts.

Lin's proposal was one of 58 selected from 4,785 applications submitted in the categories of painting, printmaking, and progressive art forms. The grant is for a two-year period.

Lin will utilize the grant to complete the final two pieces in his five-painting series "Five Capital Executions in China." The five pieces are titled "Flogging," "Decapitation," "Firing Squad," "Starvation," and "Drawing and Quartering."

He has completed the first three, which will be on display in the Springfield Art Museum from Nov. 18 to Dec. 31. Each painting in the series is 12 feet tall and 7 feet wide and framed with fabric.

Due to the size and complexity, a single work may take up to 18 months to complete and require enormous amounts of supplies.

The Chinese student movement in Tiananmen Square in 1989 caused Lin to reexamine his work and redefine his efforts. It was during this time that he decided that "it was not enough for art to simply be beautiful and be removed from social realities." □

DO YOU NEED A JOB?

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Majors: Business and Liberal Arts

Interviewing: Dec. '95 & May '96 grads;
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time and that the experience was quite an educational one.

Also key to the success of the career break-out sessions were the 27 people who served as moderators.

They did an excellent job of facilitating those sessions and are to be commended for their efforts. The Student Missouri State Teachers Association, Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, and Omicron Delta Kappa provided volunteers to staff Career Development Day registration tables and help participants load and unload materials. Their help is greatly appreciated.

My final thank-you is to my staff: Jennifer, Barbara, Deborah, Grant, Jodi, and Melanie. They have worked endless hours (many nights and weekends) to pull off our best event yet. Words cannot

express how fortunate I feel to work with such an unselfish and devoted team!

MSSC students are always the winners when faculty and staff from all areas on campus work together to provide them the best possible education. For Missouri Southern students, this education includes the opportunity to further their pursuit of the careers for which they are studying.

My staff and I are currently making notes for next year's Career Development Day will be even better in 1996. Students, faculty, and staff who have comments or suggestions are encouraged to write or call career planning and placement to share their ideas.

Nancy D. Loomer, Director
Career planning and placement

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while pointing at the screen and saying, "Look, your dad's a star."

That helped me feel more comfortable with the situation, but I still didn't know or understand what was happening.

He soon lost his hair, which at first was a funny sight, but I later learned why it wasn't such a funny thing. He wore an Ocean Pacific hat to cover his bald head. It was white with symbols of several different sports in several different colors on it.

I remember when he would go away to the hospital for long periods of time. The days he came home were very special, and the family would spend all of these pre-

cious moments together. We stayed up late talking and playing games—cards, Monopoly, etc. None of us wanted to leave the group to go to bed. This pattern went on for one long, drawn out, and painful year.

The last thing I remember about my father was him lying in a coma in a bed at the local hospital. I remember being so scared that I wouldn't let go of my mother's hand. I just kept squeezing, and hanging on.

I don't remember much else, but the memories I do have help me get on with the rest of my life. In a way, remembering him in my heart and passing on his story helps Frederick Reed Parker live just a little bit longer. □

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

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Thursday 19

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.—
Homecoming final elections, Lions' Den
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—
KONIONIA Campus Ministries, basement of Residence Hall 11
12:15 p.m.—
Psychology Club meeting Room 123
12:15 p.m.—
Sigma Tau Delta meeting, Seminar Room
12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m.—
Spanish Conversation Club meeting, for information call 624-7996
5:30 p.m.—
BSU "TNT" (Work on Homecoming Float)
7:30 p.m.—
"The Four Poster," play by Southern's Theatre, Taylor Auditorium, free for students and faculty, 11 for senior citizens and children
7:30 p.m.—
Senior Recital: Rob Lundien, baritone horn and Craig Smith, trumpet

Friday 20

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.—
Homecoming final elections, Lions' Den
4:30 p.m.—
Deadline for Talent Show entries, BSC 102
7:30 p.m.—
"The Four Poster," play by Southern's Theatre, Taylor Auditorium, free for students and faculty, 11 for senior citizens and children

Saturday 21

7:30 p.m.—
"The Four Poster," play by Southern's Theatre, Taylor Auditorium, free for students and faculty, 11 for senior citizens and children

Sunday 22

9:30 a.m.—
Bible Study, behind the residence halls

Monday 23

10 a.m.—
Deadline for Campus Display for homecoming
5:30 p.m.—
Phi Eta Sigma meeting, BSC 306
7 p.m.—
Magic by the Spencers, Taylor Auditorium
7 p.m.—
BSU Bible Studies, behind the residence halls

Tuesday 24

Campus Displays judged Noon—
Newman Club, Catholic organization meeting, BSC Room 306
12:20 p.m.—
Arab League meeting, Webster Hall 212
3 p.m.—
National Broadcasting Society-AERho meeting, Webster Hall, Studio B
7:30 p.m.—
"Late Spring," International Film Festival Presentation

Wednesday 25

9 a.m. to 2 p.m.—
Homecoming final elections
12 p.m. to 12:50 p.m.—
BSU "Lunchcounter"
1 p.m. to 6 p.m.—
Talent Show rehearsal, BSC Connor
5:30 p.m.—
Student Senate meeting, House of Lords Room, BSC 311
7 p.m.—
Culturally Speaking meeting, Stegge Hall

CAREER PLANNING & PLACEMENT

Job interviews start on campus

By RONNA SPARKS
STAFF WRITER

When dealing with today's job market, Missouri Southern students have an ally in the career planning and placement office.

Jennifer Yazell, coordinator of student placement, says the first priority is always serving the students. She believes the services the office provides are extremely beneficial.

"Students can sit down and talk with someone who truly cares about their success," she said, "and whether it's resumes, interviews, or trying to figure out what area they want to work in, no matter what it is, we can help."

The primary goal of the student service is echoed in its title. It helps students plan their careers and find placement.

Career planning and placement is addressing the placement focus with on-campus interviewing, which began last week.

"On-campus interviewing is an opportunity for students to meet with recruiters who come to our campus specifically to interview them for full-time jobs that are currently available," Yazell said.

The purpose of the interviews is generally for employment opportunities for students, but they also provide good experience for future encounters with employers.

"We have a good percentage of our students who actually get jobs from these encounters," Yazell said. "But more importantly than that is not just getting the job, it helps us get our students in front of recruiters."

Although the experience is always beneficial, some students view the interviews as not only a

job opportunity, but also as a chance to learn.

"I thought it was very effective," said Crystal Brazeal, senior management major. "I found out a lot of information about a company I didn't know much about."

Learning about the company is an important factor when going for an interview, and Yazell said she finds students unwilling to explore their options.

"When it comes to filing the on-campus interview schedule," she said, "there are times we do have trouble filling because our students will say 'I'm not interested' when they may not know anything about the company."

"They need to open their minds a little bit more and think about what some of their options are," Yazell said.

She said although most of the jobs students interview for are entry-level, students are not limited

by the positions they are hired for.

"The thing you really have to understand is that these are opportunities that can be wonderful springboards for other things," Yazell said. "Everyone has to start somewhere."

To participate in on-campus interviewing, students must have a resume on file with career planning and placement. The office will assist students in preparing their resumes.

Yazell says career planning and placement is always in the market to help more students.

"No matter what your needs are, if you will just let us know you need help, there is help available," she said.

Students interested in taking part in on-campus interviews or exploring other career planning and placement services may call 625-9343 for more information. □

CAMPUS CLUB

Culturally Speaking sponsors dance

By TONYA PRINCE
STAFF WRITER

A dance is being planned in the near future by the Culturally Speaking club.

The dance is avidly being discussed and planned at the meetings held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the basement of Stegge Hall.

"We need to get everybody to come out and support it," said Harry Hodge, treasurer of the club.

Culturally Speaking members are planning the dance as a fund-raiser to get their club going and to continue on with other goals, including bringing in guest speakers and promoting an awareness of Culturally Speaking.

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Richard Jordan
Club vice president

"We want to show we can have fun on campus," said Richard Jordan, club vice president.

Culturally Speaking would like for more students to get involved in the club, be more aware of it, and be more aware of the culture all around them on campus.

"What it will grow into is up to the students," said Kelly Binns, faculty adviser to the group.

Missouri Southern has a diverse culture, and with the international mission, even more cultures are being invited here, Binns said.

"We are inviting different cultures, and we already have our own to accept," Binns said.

As a campus with so many different cultures, awareness of these cultures can make people more open to different cultures and can be educational.

"We want to have a group of individuals in the club from any background," Jordan said.

The more students who join and become active in Culturally Speaking, the more the club will be able to do to make the College aware of other cultures that are present on campus.

"We are just in the beginning stage," Hodges said.

For more information, persons may contact Binns at Ext. 9363. □

AMERISERVE

Cafeteria delivers pizza for residents

By DEBORAH SOLOMON
DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY

The College's food service, AmeriServe, soon may put Pizza Hut and Domino's out of business, at least around the campus residence halls.

AmeriServe is offering a new pizza service for students who want to order out but are limited on cash.

On Sunday and Monday nights between 5 and 10:30, students can get a 14-inch-round pizza with two toppings and two 20-ounce Cokes for \$6.75 pick-up or \$7.75 delivered.

Students can call from campus and order pizza to be picked up or delivered to their rooms, and for the "gutsy" ones, they can make their own.

"Our pizza is made from the same ingredients chain pizza places use, except we don't use the mouse turd-like hamburger. We use ground beef," said Ed Butkiewicz, food service director.

Eric Farmer, junior criminal justice major, was one of the "gutsy" ones who made his own pizza Monday night.

"It was fun and the pizza was pretty good," he said. "I will definitely order again. You can't beat the price."

Students making their own pizzas pay \$5.75 and can choose from such ingredients as pepperoni, sausage, hamburger, Canadian bacon, onions, green peppers, mushrooms, anchovies, pineapple, and ripe olives.

The service was started because the cafeteria is closed after 3 p.m. on Sunday and there was a need for affordable food for students who live on campus but have no transportation. Butkiewicz said the reason for starting this project was the same reason AmeriServe is on campus.

"We're here to serve the students on this campus," he said. "We saw a need and figured a way to help the students who don't have a lot of money or can't leave campus."

"We'll deliver to the dorm lobbies and the apartments and eventually to the surrounding apartment complexes such as Lioncrest and Royal Orleans."



Ed Butkiewicz, AmeriServe food service director, prepares a pizza for delivery Sunday evening. AmeriServe has started delivering pizza on campus, and customers can make their own pizza.

Although the delivery service will not be available further off campus than the surrounding apartments, "everyone is welcome to come and try it," Butkiewicz said. "We don't want to compete with other pizza restaurants; we just want to provide for the students."

However, if someone living off campus would like to come and make their own, they can do that as well.

Eventually, the service may extend from Sunday to Thursday, and the hours may change.

"It all depends on the student response and what the students want," Butkiewicz said. "If they want longer hours, we'll provide longer hours. If they want it available more days, we'll make it available more days."

"It's all in what the students want; that's what we're here for," he said.

AmeriServe will try different promotions, including a best-pizza contest and free giveaways through the Campus Activities Board.

Additions such as bread sticks or sub sandwiches may be added to the menu in the future, depending on the response to this new venture.

Persons may call 781-7600 for additional information or place an order. □

PRELAW CLUB

St. Louis trip beneficial to prelaw students

By RONNA SPARKS
STAFF WRITER

For some students, graduate school is looming on the horizon, and the Prelaw Club is focusing on preparing its members for the challenge.

The Prelaw Club attended St. Louis Law Day on Thursday, Oct. 5, which introduced members to representatives from 32 law schools including Kent and Tulane.

Dr. Trina Scott, adviser and assistant professor of criminal justice, believes the event at Washington University helped students widen their horizons.

"This allowed students to meet with some representatives from

schools which they normally would not have contact with," she said. "Sometimes we don't think about what else is out there; we only think about our immediate area."

Kim Jones, junior criminal justice major, said the meeting was beneficial because she was able to have a variety of her questions answered about tuition, Law Standardized Aptitude Test (LSAT) scores, and application requirements.

"It was a valuable experience because there were a lot of representatives from schools we wouldn't have been able to have personal contact with," Jones said. "I got a lot of information about schools I wouldn't have previously considered."

The students were also able to

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Dr. Trina Scott
Assistant professor of criminal justice

visit what they wanted to do."

Scott believes the experience not only aids the students in their searches for law schools, but also coincides with Missouri Southern's international mission.

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Students interested in more information about the club or the LSAT may contact Scott at 625-3143. □

Two-character cast brings life to play

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

What a difference a year makes for Southern Theatre.

After dozing off from boredom this time last fall in Taylor Auditorium, I have witnessed a pleasant surprise the second time around.

Jan de Hartog's *The Fourposter* gets the most out of its two-character cast with excellent chemistry

between Brandon Lee Davidson, junior theatre major, and Autumn Ross, sophomore theatre major. The couple works well together in every aspect of the play, with their experience from previous productions evident. After watching them together on stage, it isn't hard to believe they are a couple in real life.

The play is about the changes that happen over the years to Agnes (Ross) and her husband, Michael (Davidson).

It begins with the couple entering the bedroom on their wedding night.

Due to their nervousness and uncertainty about what they should do next, the newlyweds' antics make for some great comedy.

The entire play is centered around the large fourposter bed in their bedroom.

The Fourposter spans from 1890, on their wedding day, to when they move out of the house in

1925. Agnes and Michael's trials and troubles were interesting to watch and ponder. No matter how bad things got, the couple stuck together and made their marriage work during the 35 years the play spanned.

The situations become more intense when children enter the picture (although they aren't actually seen in the play).

With plenty of charm and charisma, *The Fourposter* is the best play I've seen thus far at Southern, with

Orphans a close second.

The play was the first under the direction of senior theatre major Tabitha Davison, although you wouldn't know it after watching the entertaining masterpiece.

The play will continue at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday in Taylor Auditorium.

Students and faculty are admitted free with I.D. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1 for high school students, senior citizens, and children. □

The Last Stanza

□ Hard work and his love of music has lead Craig Smith to his senior recital after 10 years of playing the trumpet.

By NELSON WEBB
CHART REPORTER

After nearly 10 years of musical training, it's time for Craig Smith, senior music education major, to strut his stuff.

At 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Webster Hall auditorium, Smith will present his senior trumpet recital.

Though he picked up the trumpet in the seventh grade, it wasn't until the next year that he really started playing.

"I was having all kinds of trouble until Don Roland, my junior high band teacher, suggested I take private lessons," Smith said. "He was the one who really taught me how to play the trumpet."

Smith said hard work and his love for music earned him the third-chair trumpet spot in the "A" band while just a freshman in high school. As a sophomore he held the first chair.

Still, as a senior in high school he was undecided about what his college major would be.

"It was between music and history," Smith said. "However, I did know that I wanted to teach."

"I decided I wanted to teach music because so many of my best friends had been in band. Also, music has provided me with so many opportunities

to be involved. Not only in school, but also in church."

Involvement for Smith means working with the youth choir at his church, substitute teaching in the Joplin area, and his work with a barbershop quartet.

"The quartet has performed in public more than 450 times," Smith said. "It really is a lot of fun."

Smith chose Southern because he was impressed with the education department. But it was Robert Meeks, assistant professor of music at Southern, who made him comfortable with the program.

"I had looked at a lot of other schools," he said. "But Mr. Meeks was very friendly when I came here to visit with about auditioning for a scholarship."

Meeks said Smith has always been a good student.

"Craig has a unique personality that bonds groups together," Meeks said. "He has that rare quality that will make him a wonderful teacher."

"He has a bright future, but I see an even brighter future for his students."

Smith said his music has taken him a long way, and he has advice for students wishing to study in this field.

"Whatever you do, don't get frustrated," he said. "Just relax. It's not supposed to be work, it's supposed to be fun." □



Craig Smith, senior music education major, toots his horn during practice. Smith is involved in activities including substitute teaching.

IN YOUR EYE

MOVIE REVIEWS

Dark 'Strange Days' brightend by acting

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Like the characters in the film, moviegoers are assaulted with colorful visuals, weird camera angles, and genuinely deranged plot twists.

Strange Days centers around the idea that pieces of people's memories can be recorded and experienced by others through an electronic helmet-like device.

The movie, starring Ralph Fiennes, Angela Basset, and Juliette Lewis, takes place at the end of the millennium, Dec. 30, 1999, to be exact.

The recorded memories are an obvious metaphor for society's addiction to information and thus become the late 90s drug of choice. Fiennes' character, along with several other key players, is a flashy representation of today's dealers and users.

The addiction is different for the users. Fiennes becomes addicted to the memories he has of Juliette Lewis' character, Faith, while antagonist Philo Grant, played by Michael Wincott, is addicted to the control he gets from watching people he normally wouldn't be able to control.

Basset is the only main character who hasn't tried the helmet. Eventually, like people who submerge themselves in the drug culture, she is forced to try it.

Strange Days follows Fiennes'

character, aptly named Lenny Nero, through the chaotic stages of the final days of the 20th century.

By the end of the film he has the chance to shape the course of the planet by the use of one recorded image that shows two Los Angeles police officers murdering a powerful black activist.

The filmmakers don't have a very favorable impression of the future.

Any scenes shot outside involve hundreds of police and soldiers. Los Angeles two days before the end of the millennium looks like



Mardi Gras gone completely awry.

The acting in the movie is first-rate. Fiennes still needs work on his American accent, but he sounds more believable in *Strange Days* than *Quiz Show*.

Basset is wonderful and maintains an aura of innocence and

splendor even while smashing the skulls of Philo's henchmen. Basset's role is the kind woman in Hollywood have been griping for, for years. She takes on a dominant position in the film and never has to relinquish it for any of Fiennes' machismo.

It didn't surprise me that with all the graphic violence and twisty storyline the theater was not packed. This definitely is not a movie Joplin would care for, but residents are missing a couple of intense hours. □

ART DEPARTMENT

Myers shows at Spiva Center

By KEVIN COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Work done by a Missouri Southern art major is currently on display at the Regional Focus Gallery, on the second floor of the George A. Spiva Center for the Arts.

Spiva set aside its upper floor especially for regional artists to show their work. Matt Myers, a junior at Southern, was invited to exhibit there when Diana Bray, who organized the Regional Focus, saw his work on display at Keith Cold-snow's art supplies store.

"I believe that he's a talented artist," Bray said, "and I was wanting to get a variety of artwork on view at the gallery so area artists would have a chance to showcase their work and people in the area have a chance to see work by area artists."

Myers said this likely will be his last show in this area before he moves to Columbia. He may, however, come back to show at Club 609.

"I don't mind traveling to do a show," Myers said, "even if it means

that I might have to drive for six or seven hours."

"You have to take your chances to show your work when you can get them," he said, "wherever that may be."

Myers said it is not always easy to find shows that will display student works.

"People think that if you're a student, you can't be professional," he said. "I've been in and out of school

"I often change my mind as to what I want to do in the middle of a piece," he said. "I might change one piece of work several times. Some of my paintings have several layers of paint because of that."

"With paint, you can get away with that," he said. "You just paint over it. That's not so easy to do with sculpture."

He has been offered scholarships at Chicago Art Institute and Kansas City Art Institute, but has never attended either school.

"I grew up on a 400-acre farm," Myers said. "I don't like living in a big city."

Val Christensen, director of Missouri Southern's Spiva Art Gallery, described Myers' work as "iconographical."

"You see a repetition of particular images," Christensen said. "He has evolved them as outside observers; [we'll need to bring] our own experiences when viewing the work."

About 16 of Myers' pieces will be on display until Nov. 10 at the Spiva Center for the Arts at 222 W. Third Street in Joplin. □



Matt Myers
Junior art major

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SPIVA ART GALLERY

Students get chance to be juried

Southern Showcase continues to show art majors' quality

By VIRGINIA SHAVER
STAFF WRITER

Displays of artists' works will greet the art lover at Southern Showcase '95.

"This ongoing tradition sponsored by Missouri Southern's Art League gives our students the opportunity to put their work on display," said Val Christensen, director of the Spiva Art Gallery.

Southern Showcase is a juried art

exhibit that will be held at the Spiva Art Gallery. It is designed to present quality art work of Southern students to the public.

"We have talented students, and this gives them encouragement to develop and extend further into their field," Christensen said. "They need art visibility."

Jacqueline Warren, professor at Drury College, will be the juror for the event. She will select artwork for exhibit and awards.

Any Southern student may enter. The work must have been completed within the last year, and it must be properly matted, framed, or based.

Previous entries will not be accept-

ed. Entries are limited to five per person.

Categories are ceramics, drawing, graphics communications, jewelry, painting, printmaking/photography, and sculpture.

Entry fee per piece for Art League members is \$1; for other students, the fee is \$3.

Cash awards will be given for Best of Show (\$20), first place in each category (\$5), second place (\$3), and third place (\$2). Winners will be announced at noon Friday, Oct. 27.

Entries will be accepted through Oct. 20, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Spiva Art Gallery.

For further information, students may call Ext. 9631 or 9563. □

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Southern Theatre
417-625-3190
October 18, 19, 20, 21—The Fourposter
Dec. 2, 3—The Secret Garden
Matthews Hall auditorium
Oct. 24—Late Spring
Nov. 14—Au Hasard Balthazar
Nov. 28—Three
Spiva Art Gallery
Oct. 27-Nov. 22—Southern Showcase
Taylor Auditorium
Oct. 23—The Magic of Kevin Spencer
Oct. 28—Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
Nov. 2—Choral Concert
Nov. 14—Jazz Band Concert
Webster Hall auditorium
Oct. 19—Senior Recital: Rob Lundien, baritone and Craig Smith, trumpet
Oct. 26—Senior Recital: Julie Short, vocalist
Nov. 2—Lecture/demonstration: Yeng String Quartet
Nov. 7—Faculty piano recital: Dr. Gloria Chuang
Nov. 9—Senior Recital: Melanie Crouch, vocalist
Nov. 30—Senior Recital: Stephen Foreman, vocalist

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The Bypass
624-9095
Oct. 21—Comfortable Shoes
Oct. 27—Walking on Einstein
Champs Bar and Grill
782-4944
Oct. 20, 21—Night Train
Oct. 27, 28—Rhythm Station
The Grind
781-7999
Oct. 20—Greg Kruttsinger
Oct. 21—Jason Wofford
The Java House
659-8500
Oct. 20—Celia
Oct. 27—Angela Gabriel Memorial Hall
623-3254
Oct. 28—Peter Cetera with the Don Henley band and Crystal Bernard
Nov. 2—Jesus Christ Superstar
Nov. 3—All 4 One
George A. Spiva Center for the Arts
623-0183
Nov-Nov. 26—Photospiva
Nov-Nov. 15—Matt Myers in the Region Focus Gallery

CARTHAGE

Stone's Throw Dinner Theatre
417-358-9665
Oct. 19, 21, 27, 29—The Whales of August
Nov. 30; Dec. 12; 8:10—Little Women

SPRINGFIELD

Drury College
417-873-7255
Oct. 19, 21—Man of La Mancha
Nov. 16, 18, 30, Dec. 12
Traveler in the Dark
Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts
1-800-404-3033
Oct. 19—Tuyo
Oct. 29—Bob Dylan
Oct. 31-Nov. 1—Sesame Street Live
Nov. 12—Five Guys Named Moe
Nov. 19—Cleo Laine and John Dankworth
Dec. 8—Rosemary Clooney's White Christmas Party
Dec. 9—Winter Solstice Concert
Shrine Mosque
417-831-2727
Nov. 4—Little Texas, Martina McBride, and John Berry
Springfield Art Museum
417-866-7678
Nov-Nov. 5—Surrounded by Light: The Paintings of Neil Blane
Springfield Ballet
417-862-1343
Dec. 20, 23—The Nutcracker

REGIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

City Council minus one after Wolf resigns post

Zone 1 will need a new City Council representative with Milt Wolf announcing his resignation at Monday's Joplin City Council meeting.

Wolf cited his family's recent purchase of a home near Noel for his departure from the Council.

The Council will look for a short-term replacement for the zone. The replacement will serve until April, when an election will be held to find a successor.

Wolf has held the Council seat since 1990; he was reelected in 1994.

He said he would still run his office-supply business in Joplin, but commute from the new residence in McDonald County.

Wolf said he didn't have any plans for any new political office, but did stress he would try to involve himself in community affairs.

"I'm very interested in helping with what I can," he said. "I don't have any political aspirations, but more like community involvement."

Wolf, still part of the Region M solid waste commission, said he would like to help the county in that capacity if needed. □

Seneca drivers in for bumpy ride on Shawnee

Some streets in Seneca will be repaved soon, and one will include speed bumps.

The Seneca City Council made the decision at its Oct. 9 meeting to repave seven streets in the town and include speed bumps to Shawnee Street when it is repaved.

Excessive speed was the reason cited for adding the speed bumps to Shawnee.

Total cost for the repaving will be \$30,500. The project was contracted out to Swift Construction.

Other streets slated for repaving are Cottage Lane, Strait, Hamilton, Oak Ridge, Reifern, and Zane Lane.

Shawnee will be repaved for approximately three blocks. The speed limit in that area is 15 mph.

According to Dennis Rogers, Seneca city clerk, the project is expected to begin any day and should last no more than a week. To repave Shawnee, Rogers said, should take only a day. □

Sales tax revenue sees increase over past year

More money has been collected through Joplin's 1-cent retail sales tax than last year, or even expected.

A 7 percent increase over last year has occurred. Translated to monetary figures, that's some \$575,000 more than the tax accrued last year. When the fiscal year ends Oct. 31, the sales tax will have generated more than \$8.6 million. Last year the tax took in \$8,036,348.17 for the city.

The city estimated the growth would be about \$8.4 million a year ago, but later revised the number to \$8.55 million this summer to help with the proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

The tax is used for revenue in the city's general fund. It is Joplin's main revenue source and finances police, fire, and city administration activities. Some of the money also goes to the parks and health departments.

Jon Johnson, Joplin's financial director, said the city expects next year to have an increase as well.

Johnson put the dollar amount at about \$8.9 million.

"I think you always have to be conservative because you don't know what the economic climate will be," he said.

Johnson said this year's increase is due in large part to the new businesses Joplin has seen a growth of.

He also said he believes the revenue was up due to more people spending their money in Joplin rather than an increase in prices.

Johnson called the revenue increase a "pleasant surprise." □

JASPER COUNTY

Courthouse celebrates centennial

Carthage to hold rededication ceremonies

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

A big celebration is on tap for Carthage Saturday as the Jasper County Courthouse turns 100 years old.

The public is invited to Centennial Rededication festivities at 11:15 a.m. on the square surrounding the building. After the hour-long ceremony, Marvin VanGilder will sign autographs in the courthouse below the Lowell Davis mural in the main hall.

VanGilder is the author of the book *Jasper County, the First 200 Years*.

VanGilder, who has been active for years in the building's preservation, labeled the courthouse as a unique structure full of symbolism and distinctive characteristics.

"There's no other building like this on earth," VanGilder said. "It is so grand and glorious on one hand, and personal and practical on the other."

The courthouse, considered by some to be one of Missouri's finest, is included on the National

Register of Historic Places.

Plans were accepted from architect M.A. Orlopp for its design in 1893.

It originally cost \$100,000 to construct the building, with Carthage paying half and the remaining area of Jasper County paying the rest through taxation.

The hands-on labor took about two years to complete while the actual planning went back as far as 1866.

The majority of the laborers were from the Jasper County area.

VanGilder said the overall development was a complex operation

due to continuous arguments between Orlopp and the court-appointed superintendent of construction, Nelson L. Damon.

One large block near the west entrance was preserved from the foundation of Jasper County's initial courthouse, destroyed by fire during the Civil War.

Every stone in the current courthouse consists of native Carthage stone, except for the cornerstone from Indiana.

"The courthouse is the temple of justice for Jasper County," said Eastern district commissioner Lloyd Burgi, who has worked in

the courthouse for seven years. "It looks just as good, if not better, than it did 100 years ago with the shabby and other features."

In addition to being the governmental center for Jasper County, the courthouse also stores almost all of the county's archives and shares much of the judicial activity with the county courts in Joplin.

"I haven't seen another courthouse that could compare to it in the country, and I've traveled a lot," Burgi said. "It's amazing to look at something that old in that good of condition."

"It's a lovely old building." □

MAPLE LEAF FESTIVAL

Area pageant crowns queen

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Maple Leaf Festival Queen Tiffany Swoveland was crowned Tuesday after an evening pageant highlighted by the nine candidates' talent showcase.

Swoveland is a freshman at the University of Missouri-Rolla and a Carthage native. Princesses crowned at the ceremony were Michelle Felts and Shellie Perkins.

Swoveland, crowned by 1994 queen Sarah Rimer, received a \$500 scholarship, while Felts and Perkins received \$100 scholarships.

First runner-up Felts will have to wait three years to put her scholarship to use since she is only a sophomore at Carthage High School. Perkins, who received second runner-up honors, can use her scholarship now as a freshman at Missouri Southern.

"I entered the competition for the scholarship money," Swoveland said after the coronation.

Swoveland and the eight other candidates were judged by stage presence and poise, talent, and an interview session held prior to the pageant.

As a baton-twirler for the Missouri-Rolla marching band, Swoveland utilized her expertise for the talent portion, while Felts sang Sandi Patti's version of the "Star-Spangled Banner" and Perkins danced as the cowardly Lion from *The Wizard of Oz*.

Other contestants include Rona Brumback, Gwen Faucett, Alyssa Gory, Kari Moser, Rebecca Richmond, and Adrian Shepherd. □



LEFT: (From left) Princess Shellie Perkins, Princess Michelle Felts, and Queen Tiffany Swoveland are the 1995 Maple Leaf Festival court.
ABOVE: Tiffany Swoveland steps up to receive flowers and tiara.

J.L. Griffin/The Chart

LAFAYETTE HOUSE

Abuse shelter receives accolades from community

By DAN WISZKON
MANAGING EDITOR

The Lafayette House in Joplin has assisted more than 7,000 individuals over the past five years. And because October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the abuse shelter is taking additional pride in what it does for the community.

Dr. Sherry Gant, who counsels at the house, said 4,000 to 5,000 women across the United States die each year as a result of violent abuse, and shelters like the Lafayette House are vital for lower-income victims.

"Higher-economic women have more resources to get away," Gant said, "while women in the lower-income brackets are totally dependent on their abuser."

She said the Lafayette House has a male counselor on staff to offer services to the rare cases of where

the male is the one subjected to abuse. However, the center cannot provide shelter for any male victims.

"And we don't discriminate against men," Gant said. "We have counseling available for them, but we can't shelter them at the house. About 8 percent of abuse victims are men."

She cites several reasons why abuse occurs, with many of them focusing on jealousy toward a woman's independence.

"It's mostly about confusion concerning the power and control in relationships," Gant said. "I've seen a steady increase in the number of women we serve since I came here five years ago."

"A woman is abused once every 15 seconds by a significant male in their lives, like a boyfriend or husband."

Donna Snyder, director of community services for the Lafayette

House, is convinced the shelter saves lives.

"One abuse survivor we sheltered said she wouldn't be alive today to tell her story if wasn't for the Lafayette House and places like it," Snyder said.

Snyder said the house, a former elementary school, is fortunate to have the space and resources it has compared with many of the other 1,500 abuse facilities across the United States.

Gant and Snyder said the shelter had experienced an increase in calls when the O.J. Simpson murder trial began. They believe the case alerted many people to how abuse can happen to any woman regardless of financial status.

"We were swamped with calls from women when that first came out," Snyder said. "And we were swamped again when the verdict came out and the attention grew again."

Gant said the shelter employs three social workers to help abused women find housing, transportation, employment, etc.

Dr. Ree Simpkins, assistant professor of sociology at Missouri Southern, believes increasing the general level of awareness of domestic abuse in the community is a necessary step toward helping women. On the sociological standpoint, Simpkins said violence against women has been "normalized" in society.

"In some levels it is accepted and even expected," she said. "Victims are usually the less powerful and have the least prestige in society. And since we're a patriarchy (a male-dominated society), it's not surprising that women are the victims of violence."

So why do battered women stay with their abuser even though it may eventually cost them their lives? Simpkins has several theo-

ries, many pertaining to their children's welfare and the women's lack of financial means to survive somewhere else.

"Some women feel they have no alternative," she said. "And many see the violence as a small part of the picture because it may only happen occasionally."

Despite providing many programs and services for battered women and children, the Lafayette House addresses other family-related issues as well. It offers counseling for many other problems women face nowadays.

Steve Fuhr, clinic manager for the Joplin Department of Health, said the the clinic sometimes has to refer women to the Lafayette House for help concerning their nutrition.

"The Lafayette House has proven itself to be an important and valuable resource to our community," Fuhr said. □



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Dr. Ralph Leverett has traveled across the globe and experienced many sites in his life. He returns to Southern after a four-year hiatus.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Leverett returns to College

After a four-year stint in Ohio, education instructor brings wisdom, travel to classroom

By TERESA SIMMONS
CHART REPORTER

Success ... is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles he has overcome while trying to succeed.

That quotation by Booker T. Washington is the motto Dr. Ralph Leverett, associate professor of education, stands behind.

"I have never really overcome any obstacles myself, but I have seen so many students overcome obstacles to become teachers," he said.

Leverett is a special education teacher who comes to Missouri Southern with an interesting background of experience, wisdom, and travel.

He has a bachelor's degree in history, a master's degree in special education and audiology, and a doctorate with a concentration in hearing, speech science, and special education.

Born in Lamar, Leverett became interested in the education field at the age of 7 or 8.

"My grandmother lived in Colorado Springs, and the school for the deaf was there. I used to walk by and see people sitting on their porches using sign language, and that was when I

became interested. I also used to see people using sign language in their businesses."

Leverett has returned to Southern after leaving four years ago.

"I kept in touch with people at Southern, and I learned about the opening back here. It was the right time for me to return to Southern, so I came back," he said.

He taught here as an assistant professor of education from 1988 to 1991.

"I left in 1991 because I had an opportunity to help a former department head set up a graduate program in Ohio," Leverett said.

He also taught 10 years at Trevecca Nazarene College in Nashville, two years at Malone College in Ohio, one year at Missouri Western in St. Joseph, and almost 10 years in the public school system.

Besides teaching Leverett enjoys traveling. Europe and Switzerland are his favorites, but he has also been to Germany, Italy, England, and Scotland.

"One of the most restful and enjoyable things I saw while touring was the Lake District of England. It felt comfortable," Leverett said.

He also enjoys traveling through the Ozarks, Tennessee, and northern Georgia.

"Students are the favorite part of my job, but I also have an interest in nontraditional students. The paperwork, I could do without," he said. "I am very satisfied with my job, balancing between speech pathology and teaching."

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Dr. Ralph Leverett
Associate professor of education

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Leverett has a goal to teach speech pathology as long as possible, and he sees no retirement in the near future.

He has several philosophies of life. "Primarily the most important things in life are people. We need to be careful that we don't lose friends through carelessness," he said.

Leverett has two children, both of whom live in Tennessee. He also enjoys hiking and reading historical books, religious history, and, of course, travel books. □

BSC TICKET OFFICE

Surber enjoys helping others

By RUSTY WELLS
CHART REPORTER

There is someone new in the Billingsly Student Center ticket office.

Rae Surber, ticket office manager, says she enjoys working with students.

"I enjoy people," she said. "If they have questions about where something is, I'm here to help them. They'll always see a happy person here."

Surber previously worked at Webb City High School as a secretary for one year before beginning her position at Missouri Southern on Aug. 14.

She found out about the job from her husband, Rod Surber, news bureau manager.

"For a long time, I thought it would be nice to work here," she said. Her husband persuaded her to take the job because it was in an enjoyable atmosphere.

Although her husband works across the hall, she doesn't get to see him much because of their busy schedules.

Surber works part-time from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. She says it works out well because she can be home for her children



TERESA SIMMONS/The Chart

Rae Surber worked as secretary at Webb City High School for a year before accepting the position of ticket office manager at the College.

when they arrive from school.

The Surbers moved from Rochelle, Ill., to Joplin four years ago. They have been married 18 years. Rae met her husband at Indianola (Iowa) High School, where they both graduated from. They have two children, ages 11 and 12.

Surber enjoys collecting clowns and antique picture frames.

Wyoming and South Dakota are two areas she would like to visit. "I love the mountains," she said.

Hiking and camping are among her favorite activities.

Surber would like for her job to become full-time.

She has been working on expanding the ticket selection available through Missouri Southern.

Tickets currently available include Six Flags in St. Louis, Worlds of Fun, Oceans of Fun, Silver Dollar City, White Water, Kansas City Royals baseball, and Southern football and basketball. □

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Football, God inspire Redd

Defensive line coach stresses discipline, pride, understanding

By JASON OWEN
CHART REPORTER

What the hell is wrong with you? Stereotypical words of many hard-nosed football coaches.

So, does Fred Redd, Missouri Southern's head defensive line coach, fit the bill?

"He's anything but stereotypical," said red-shirt freshman offensive lineman Terry Culp. "He exemplifies the coaching beliefs practiced by all the Southern coaches: pride, discipline, and understanding."

Redd is no stranger to football. He has coached everywhere from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point to Pittsburg State University, and from offense to defense. He says, however, that defensive line is his favorite.

"They play the game because they love it, not for the glory," Redd said. "They're kind of the unsung heroes of the game. Lineman, in general, are kind of your everyday guy. The blue-collar worker of the football team."

Redd also spent 20 years in the military, reaching the rank of major. He had two tours of duty in Vietnam.

"Vietnam," he said, "is best described as long periods of boredom broken up by moments of sheer terror."

Redd attributes the most influential times in his life to his time in the military.

"In the military I met Col. Jerry Curry, the man who led me to the Lord. He showed his faith through



DEBORAH SOLOMON/The Chart

Coach Redd looks on with intensity during Saturday's game against PSU.

a calm assurance he exhibited everyday. He walked the walk and talked the talk. He instilled in me a faith I've never lost."

Redd brings that faith to the football field.

"Coach Redd," said FCA vice president Lee Hienerickson, "is an excellent leader who will bring much to this team. He is a true leader who speaks with his actions."

That, however, is a point that Redd strongly disputes.

"I'm not a leader, I'm simply a man of strong faith," he said. "I believe that Jesus died, was resurrected, and now lives in heaven. We, as believers, have access to that power, and I'm happy to share that. But I'm no preacher."

When Redd took on the head defensive line job, he knew he was in for a challenge. Coaching in the MIAA is not an easy task. Redd, however, knows that his "faith and perseverance" will carry him through it. □

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

Smith savors taste of home brew

Teacher picked up process in college

By BRETT HERGENROTHER
CHART REPORTER

Where might one find a smooth, distinctive-tasting, home-brewed beer in the four-state area?

David Smith has the look no further than his own home.

"I enjoy brewing my own beer probably more than anything else," said Smith, an assistant professor of accounting. "I got started about 10 years ago when a roommate of mine got into it, and I thought, 'Hey that's a great idea.' I never would have thought of that."

Smith attributes most of his "brewed specialties" to his uncle, who has his own brew-pub in Fort

Smith, Ark., and often provides him with recipes and ideas. His initial interest of brewing his own beer came when he discovered how inexpensive the process was.

"I can usually brew around two-and-a-half cases of beer for around \$24," Smith said.

The other benefit was the authentic, palate-pleasing taste.

"As you can see, I've had a bottle or two over the years," admitted Smith, while laughing and rubbing his stomach.

The self-sufficient accountant also likes to "stew up" some gourmet cooking.

"My favorite entrees are Chinese, particularly Peking duck, but it involves about 24 hours of your time," Smith explained.

Smith, a native of Springfield, Ill., received his bachelor's and master's degrees in accounting from

the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He is working on his dissertation and anticipates receiving his Ph.D. this fall from the University of North Texas in Denton.

Smith has received several accolades for teaching excellence. He was nominated by his department for the University of North Texas Outstanding Teaching Fellow Award, and he received a letter of commendation from the University of Illinois.

Although he is single, he does plan to get married sometime in the future. He realizes that "the life of a Ph.D. student does not leave much time for anything else," except maybe brewing a little beer. After he wraps up his dissertation, he would like to resume his previous hobbies of including back-packing, canoeing, and woodworking. □



TONI DILLARD/The Chart

Assistant professor of accounting David Smith began brewing his own beer 10 years ago when he discovered how cheap it was to make it himself. He can brew around two-and-a-half cases of beer for about \$24.

SPORTS SCOPE

Pick up the peels 'cause the best is yet to come

Just one point away. So close, yet so far. Close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades—not against the Pittsburg State football Gorillas.

Those thoughts lingered in the minds of Missouri Southern football faithful Saturday as the scoreboard lights illuminated the lime-green turf with the 15-14 score after 90 hard-fought minutes of MIAA football.

And what a game it was. In the nine previous Miner's Bowl games, the margin of victory hadn't been less than 10 points. The closest previously was PSU's 24-14 victory last year.

Interceptions and key turnovers were something that Lions' head coach Jon Lantz said he was concerned about heading into the game.

But even with the one Brad Cornelsen miscue in the first quarter, which led to a Gorilla touchdown, I must say I was impressed with how the freshman signal caller handled himself under the gun.

Lantz said for a freshman to come in and lead the offense the way Cornelsen did was quite an accomplishment.

"I thought Brad handled himself with tremendous poise," Lantz said. "He is going to beat Pittsburg State sometime during his career. And I am going to be here to watch him when he does."

Throughout Cornelsen's first four starts the media, including myself, and even Lantz have compared the slim 5-foot-8, 158-pound quarterback from Texhoma, Okla., to a former Lion name who once brought smiles to the faces of the Fred G. Hughes faithful—Malt Cook.

But Lantz said Cornelsen's freshman debut was smooth sailing compared to the rocky ride Cook endured in 1989.

"He (Cornelsen) functioned much better than another freshman quarterback (Cook) I coached six years ago," Lantz said. "He is just going to get better and better as the years move on."

Now, days after losing by only one point to Missouri Southern's most hated rival, the Lions and Cornelsen have to close the book on Miner's Bowl X and look toward the future.

The future holds four tough conference match-ups, including three teams who are battling for the second rung of the MIAA ladder behind the top-notch Gorillas.

On Saturday the Lions will trek north to face the Northwest Missouri State Bearcats, who come into week seven with a winning MIAA record. That's right, the Bearcats are above 500 and are no longer the doormats of the MIAA with a 3-2 conference mark.

With a 37-32 victory at Central Missouri State on Sept. 23, I think the Lions have finally cured themselves of the "0-5 road record disease." But who knows what could happen in Maryville—probably not much.

But I am not worried so much about what will happen up in Bearcat country (please see zoo map), but what lies ahead for the Lions in their next two games.

Southern faces two teams, Northeast Missouri State and Missouri Western, who have the potential to change the Lions' television sets to "Seinfeld" instead of the NCAA Division II playoff bids in mid-November. O



Rick Rogers

SOCGER

Lions rebound from loss, beat Rolla 4-1

Second MIAA win keeps Southern in title contention

By J.L. GRIFFIN
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

I took an opponent more than a month to defeat the Missouri Southern soccer team; it took the Lions two days to regroup and punish another opponent trying to duplicate the feat.

After Sunday's 5-0 loss to the University of Missouri-St. Louis, Southern came home to pound the University of Missouri-Rolla 4-1 Tuesday.

"We played a weaker team, and today was our day," Lions' coach Jim Cook said. Southern is now 10-4-1 on the season.

The game wasn't even 10 minutes old when freshman midfielder Andy Ketteler stopped to settle the ball after junior forward Todd Eaton passed and netted a goal to the right side.

Freshman midfielder Matt Cernal almost scored a header a few minutes later to put the Lions up 2-0, but Miner goalie Kevin Levy dived and saved the goal.

However, with eight minutes left in the game, sophomore forward Jose Suarez scored a header to put the Lions up 2-0.

Misfortune would strike the Lions as freshman defender Adam Bahr suffered a knee injury and had to be helped off the field.

The injury, according to Bahr, is reminiscent of the knee injury he suffered earlier in the year when he broke his right knee and tore some ligaments.

Missouri-Rolla's Gary Graham made the game close in the second half by scoring a header after Lion goalie Chris Lewis made a diving save.

With the score at 2-1, the cave collapsed on the Miners when sophomore forward Rusty Prince scored on sophomore midfielder Mark Turpen's pass.

The final blow came when Suarez was fouled in the goalbox and a penalty kick was called.

Bryan Brust took the kick for Southern and scored to the right as Levy dove to stop it. Levy came up short, and the final score was 4-1.

The Lion's performance was noticeably different from the UMSL match Sunday.

"We came out with more attitude and intensity," sophomore forward Tim Kelly said. "Sunday, we just didn't want to win."

The Lions were shut out by the Rivermen, due in large part to a lack of ball control, according to Kelly.

"If we keep control of the ball, we have the key to the game," he said.

With his one assist, Eaton added to his point total and is the highest-ranked Lion in the scoring category in the MIAA with 20 points. □

"We came out with more attitude and intensity. Sunday we just did not want to win."

Tim Kelly
Lions' forward



Freshman forward Jose Suarez heads in a goal during the Lions' 4-1 victory over Missouri-Rolla while junior forward Todd Eaton looks on. Southern is now 2-1 in the MIAA and 10-4 overall.

FOOTBALL

Lions to face new-look 'Cats

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Heading into Saturday's match-up in Maryville, the key focus for the Missouri Southern and Northwest Missouri State University football teams is how to rebound from a close loss to an arch-rival.

Southern (4-2 overall, 3-2 MIAA) is reeling from a 15-14 loss to Pittsburg State University, while the Bearcats (3-4 overall, 3-2 MIAA) are still in shock over a 24-20 setback to Missouri Western in the final two minutes.

Southern and Northwest Missouri are in a three-way deadlock for third place in the conference with Emporia State, Northeast Missouri and No. 18 Missouri Western are tied for second, while the No. 5 Gorillas hold sole possession of first place at 5-0 in the conference.

"The biggest thing about this game is to see who can bounce back after a disappointing loss," Northwest head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

"That will be the real key, but for us, we just need to take each game one at a time. Our next goal is to win four games in the conference, and this game Saturday will be our chance to win No. 4."

Lions' head coach Jon Lantz said he knew Southern would not have an easy road in earning an NCAA Division II playoff berth.

"We really have a tough last four games," he said. "We knew that even if we would have beaten Pittsburg State. For us to win outright, it is going to be a very long, difficult haul."

Last season, the Lions upended Northwest Missouri 34-9 on Nov. 12, the final game of the season for both teams. The Southern victory ended the Bearcats' season at a disappointing 0-11 mark.

But under Tjeerdsma, the Bearcats have found a pulse with a winning conference record.

"The main thing, without a doubt, is the change in our attitude," he said. "We have very few players that were here two years ago, and the players we have now are players we have recruited. The ones that our still here have bought into our new program."

Tjeerdsma said junior quarterback Greg Teale, fourth in the conference in passing with an average of 138.6 yards a game, is the key to Northwest Missouri's balanced attack.

"He has really made an adjustment in our offense because he was an option quarterback in high

THIS WEEK

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LIONS

Northwest Missouri
BEARCATS

When: Saturday, Oct. 21, 2 p.m.

Where: Rickenbrode Stadium.

Records: MSSC 3-24-2
NWMSU 3-21-4

Last year: MSSC 34
NWMSU 9

school," Tjeerdsma said. "Last year was a year of adjustment for him, but he has done an exceptional job adapting to our offense."

One slot the Lions will have to fill is at tight end due to the injury sustained by senior Chad Casey. Lantz said even though losing Casey could cause some blocking problems, he thinks sophomore tight end Brad Hocker can rise to the challenge.

"Chad has a bruised lung, and we don't know the seriousness," Lantz said. "Brad has played well all year, and he now becomes our No. 1 tight end." □

VOLLEYBALL

Confidence high after 3-1 showing

By NICK PARKER
SPORTS EDITOR

After winning three of four at Florida Southern University over the weekend, the Lady Lions are riding high.

Southern's only loss came courtesy of defending NAIA champions Brigham Young University-Hawaii. The Lady Lions' three wins came over St. Francis College, Bellarmine College, and host school Florida Southern.

"Team confidence is pretty high," coach Debbie Traywick said. "The weekend gives us the confidence to go in and play well this weekend. We played well and real hard. Sometimes on these fun trips you lose focus, but they didn't, and they made a good impression for the MIAA."

The Lady Lions, 13-3 overall and 7-3 in the MIAA, travel to Missouri Western Friday for another weekend of conference play. Their first opponent is defending conference champion

Central Missouri State (23-4 and 10-0).

Traywick said the Lady Lions have been working to correct the mistakes they made against the Jennies.

"We definitely feel confident enough to win," she said. "If we play to our ability we will have the opportunity to win."

Saturday, Southern will face Missouri-St. Louis (14-9 and 7-3) and Emporia State (14-13 and 5-5). UMSL is tied with Southern for third place in the MIAA.

Emporia State dealt Southern the second of its three conference losses, the other coming from Missouri Western on Oct. 4.

"We will definitely feel the need to avenge one of our losses," Traywick said. "I think we'll be more aggressive and attack more. The last time we played Emporia State we had just lost to Central, and we just didn't rebound quickly enough."

Southern will return to Joplin Monday for a match at Ozark Christian College. □

BASKETBALL

Travel plans set for December

By NICK PARKER
SPORTS EDITOR

Traveling over the holidays will not mean visiting grandma for Missouri Southern's basketball teams.

The Lions will be heading to Puerto Rico Dec. 19-21 for a tournament at American University of Puerto Rico.

Southern head basketball coach Robert Corn said American University is in the process of changing to NCAA Division II and wanted to conduct a Division II tournament beforehand.

"The tournament is a great way

to end the non-conference part of the schedule," Corn said. "It is typically a very good gelling point for the team."

"In both '89 and '93 in the Bahamas it was a positive experience for the team. We get good competition and are challenged athletically."

The Lady Lions will travel to San Francisco Dec. 29-30 for the Cal State University-Stanislaus Holiday Inn Classic.

First-year head coach Carrie Kaifes said one of the reasons for the trip was to give sophomore post Sarah Beckley's parents a chance to watch her play. Beckley's parents still live in her

home town on Brea, California.

Kaifes said the trip will be fun as well as include some tough competition.

Both teams started their pre-season practices Saturday.

"Our first practice was mostly talking," Kaifes said, "but from now on everything is go, go, go."

The Lions are also in heavy preparation for their season opener against Pittsburg State University on Nov. 11.

"Right now everybody is on the same page fundamentally," Corn said. "We're working on defense right now, and we'll start putting in the offense in the next few days." □

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Rick Rogers

CROSS COUNTRY

Cooper tops for Lady Lions

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

Lady Lions' senior cross country star Rhonda Cooper has been tearing up her competition this year in her first season back after a career-threatening injury.

Cooper, a senior from New Zealand, broke the school record in the 5-kilometer run by two seconds a few weeks ago.

"Ever since the [Southern] Stampede, it has been a goal that I've gone after," Cooper said. "Whenever you gain a record, it is good for you as a person."

Cooper's coach, Patty Vavra, said she wasn't surprised with the performance of her team captain and No. 1 runner.

"I feel real confident she will break the school record again this weekend," Vavra said.

The Lady Lions and Lions will run in the MIAA Championships this weekend at Southern.

"Breaking the school record is probably third on her list of goals," Vavra said. "Her No. 1 goal is for her team to finish in the top four this weekend. Secondly, she would like to place individually in the top three."

Cooper's leadership has played a key role in the success of the team this season along with senior teammate Kathy Williams, Vavra said. But Cooper sees herself as more than just a good example.

"The freshmen have never been at this level before," Cooper said. "They ask a lot of questions. Being a team captain gives them someone to look to besides just the coach."

Cooper's leadership hasn't entirely come from her performance on the course, but her resilience off the course as well.

In 1993, she suffered a stress fracture that ended her season and sidelined her for the entire 1994 season. But with hours and hours of riding a bike and swimming in the pool, Cooper recovered almost completely.

"It took a lot of patience," she said. "I did a lot of cross training."

"It was just something that took a little time to recover from."

Vavra said Cooper's strong return from an injury of such a serious nature is inspiring to the younger members of the team.

"To go through an injury like that and come back the way she has is really remarkable,"

"She knows herself well enough to know what she has to do to be successful."

Patty Vavra
Lady Lions' coach

Rhonda Cooper will try to break her own school record at Saturday's MIAA Championships held here at Missouri Southern.



Vavra said. "There's not a lot of people that would be capable of having the will to do that."

"Another thing about Rhonda is that the others either know or have seen what she's gone through to get where she is."

Vavra said Cooper kept training hard while she was out but did not stray from what her doctors and trainers told her to do.

"I have to give credit to Rhonda, but I also have to give credit to the training staff," Vavra said.

Cooper has had to change some of her training habits since the injury.

"She's adapted pretty well," said Vavra, who is in her second year. "It goes back to her desire and love of running that she was able to make those changes."

One thing Cooper has always had is a positive attitude.

"She approaches every race with the attitude

of 'What do I have to do to win this race?'"

Vavra said. "She knows herself well enough to know what she has to do to be successful."

Being a leader hasn't been a hard job for Cooper. She has been the first Lady Lion to cross the finish line in every race this year. And she has her own way of teaching.

"I just tell them to just go out there and race and I'll have confidence in their ability and in their training," said Cooper, who said she may consider coaching in the future. "In all honesty, I have a very good understanding of training and training ethics."

"I believe that being an athlete myself can help me understand what it is like to be a distance runner."

Vavra said Cooper has a great chance to finish well this weekend.

"She knows what she has to do. She just has to go out and do it." □

CROSS COUNTRY

Runners to host championships

Wilks, Cooper lead Southern harriers into MIAA meet

By RYAN BRONSON
EXECUTIVE EDITOR

The season will come to an end for several runners this weekend in the MIAA Championships, but don't expect either of Missouri Southern's cross country teams to be sent home packing...the meet will be held in their own backyard.

The top four teams in the conference and the top 10 individual runners will advance to the NCAA Division II national meet in Chicago.

The women's team should be chasing Central Missouri State, Emporia State, Northwest Missouri State, and Northeast Missouri State.

Lady Lions head coach Patty Vavra is excited about her team's chance to finish in the top four this weekend.

"It's a very exciting time," Vavra said. "This is the biggest meet of the season for us."

The men will be shooting for Central Missouri, Northeast Missouri, Northwest Missouri, and Pittsburg State.

They will have to hold off Missouri-Rolla and Emporia State University.

Lions' head coach Tom Rutledge said his team, which is loaded with questionable young talent, could also challenge for a berth to the national meet.

"We're as ready as can be expected," Rutledge said. "The young ones are starting to real-

ize that this isn't high school anymore."

Leading the way for the women is senior Rhonda Cooper. Cooper, from New Zealand, broke the school record for five kilometers two weekends ago.

Behind Cooper the Lady Lions have a pair of freshmen, Amanda Harrison and Sonia Blacketer. Vavra said her freshmen have been strong all year, but she gave credit to the seniors, Cooper and Kathy Williams, for leading the younger runners in the right direction.

"A big part of the team's success comes from the senior leadership," she said. "The good of the team always comes before the good of the individual."

Neither coach is unhappy about playing host to the MIAA Championships this year.

"I hope that with the home crowd cheering us on that will give us an incentive to do better," Rutledge said.

Vavra didn't say much about the home crowd, but focused more on the course itself.

"We can work it to a big advantage being on our home course," she said. "I think the biggest plus is that they aren't ready for their season to end. We have a real positive attitude coming into the run on Saturday."

Rutledge had less insight into the position of his team entering the conference championships.

"I've seen improvement every week," he said. "It's hard to read them right now."

Jon Wilks is running very well. Josh [Rogers] has a little congestion, but we hope he'll be OK by this weekend." □



The Scoreboard



FOOTBALL

MIAA Standings (10/16)

1. Pittsburg State (5)	5-0/5-0-1
2. Missouri Western (18)	4-1/5-1-1
3. Northeast Missouri	4-1/4-3
4. Missouri Southern	3-2/4-2
5. Emporia State	3-2/4-3
6. Northwest Missouri	3-2/3-4
7. Washburn	2-3/3-3
8. Southwest Baptist	1-4/1-5
9. Central Missouri	0-5/0-6
10. Missouri-Rolla	0-5/0-6

Southern
vs. Pittsburg State
MSSC 14 PSU 15

Scoring
1st Qtr.—PSU, 10 Fairchild, 1 yd. run, 6:09, 0-6.

2nd Qtr.—MSSC, Albert Bland, 27 yd. run.

Eric Jackson, PAT, 11:11, 7-6. PSU, Josh Barcus, 25 yd. field goal, 52, 7-9.

3rd Qtr.—MSSC, Brad Carlsen, 3 yd. run.

Jackson PAT, 11:59, 14-9. PSU, Chris Hudson, 11 yd. pass from Jeff Moreland.

9:03, 14-15.

VOLLEYBALL

MIAA Standings (10/16)

1. Central Missouri (5)	10-0/23-4
2. Missouri Western	8-2/18-6
3. Missouri Southern	7-3/7-7
4. Missouri-St. Louis	7-3/14-9
5. Northeast Missouri	5-5/13-10
6. Northwest Missouri	4-6/13-7
7. Emporia State	5-5/14-13
8. Washburn	3-7/9-13
9. Pittsburg State	1-9/5-17
10. Southwest Baptist	0-10/0-19

Southern
vs. College/St. Francis
MSSC 3 CSF 0Southern
vs. BYU-Hawaii

BYU-H 3 MSSC 1

Southern
vs. Florida Southern

MSSC 3 FSU 0

Southern vs.
Bellarmine College

MSSC 3 BC 1

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MIAA Standings

1. Missouri-Rolla	2-0/9-4-2
2. Missouri-St. Louis	2-0/5-6-2
3. Northeast Missouri	1-0/8-2-2
4. Missouri Southern	1-1/9-4-1
5. Lincoln	0-2/1-8
6. Southwest Baptist	0-3/4-10

Southern
vs. Missouri Rolla
MSSC 4 UMR 1

Scoring—1. Claes Meldal, NMSU, 6 goals, 20 pts. 2. Gavin McCoy, UMR, 13 goals, 27 pts. 3. Joe Nick, NMSU, 6 goals, 17 points. 4. Todd Eaton, MSSC, 8 goals, 19 points. 5. Todd Rick, UMSL, 7 goals, 17 pts.

Goals—1. Gavin McCoy, UMR, 13. 2. Claes Meldal, NMSU, 6. 3. Todd Eaton, MSSC, 8. 4. Todd Rick, UMSL, 7. 5. Scott Sewell, UMR, 8.

Assists/Game—1. Claes Meldal, NMSU, 8 assists, 80 avg. 2. Joe Nick, NMSU, 5 assists, 42 avg. 3. Greg Schutte, UMR, 8 assists, 40 avg. 4. Joe Foch, UMSL, 5 assists, 38 avg. 5. Brian Kozelski, UMR, 5 assists, 38 avg.

Goals Against Avg.—1. Derek Mazzeia, NMSU, 20 GAA. 2. Mark Lynn, UMSL, 1.11 GAA. 3. Kevin Levy, UMR, 1.41 GAA. 4. Darrell Witham, MSSC, 2.27 GAA. 5. Jeremy Fenier, SBU, 2.29 GAA.

THIS WEEK

Football

• Southern at Northwest Missouri, 7 p.m., Saturday.

Soccer

• Southern vs. Southwest Baptist, 4 p.m., Monday.

Volleyball

• Southern vs. Central Missouri, 7 p.m., Friday, at MWSC.
• Southern vs. Missouri-St. Louis, 10 a.m., Saturday, at MWSC.
• Southern vs. Emporia State, 2 p.m., Saturday at MWSC.
• Southern at Ozark Christian College, 7 p.m., Monday.
• Southern at Southwest Baptist, 7 p.m., Tuesday.

Cross-Country

• MIAA Championships at Missouri Southern, 10 a.m., Saturday.

1995-96 BASKETBALL SCHEDULES

LIONS

Nov. 11—Gen'l Sports (exhibition)
Nov. 18—Pittsburg State
Nov. 24-25—MSSC Pro-Am Athletics/
Subway Classic
Nov. 30—Univ. Central Arkansas
Dec. 2—Henderson State Univ.
Dec. 9—Cameron Univ.
Dec. 15—Missouri Valley College
Dec. 19-21—Puerto Rico Tropical Basketball
Holiday Inn Classic
Jan. 3—Pittsburg State
Jan. 6—Lincoln University
Jan. 10—Missouri Western
Jan. 13—Central Missouri State
Jan. 17—Washburn University
Jan. 20—Emporia State
Jan. 24—Missouri-St. Louis
Jan. 27—Northeast Missouri
Jan. 31—Northwest Missouri
Feb. 3—Missouri-Rolla
Feb. 7—Southwest Baptist
Feb. 10—Lincoln University
Feb. 14—Missouri Western
Feb. 17—Central Missouri State
Feb. 21—Washburn University
Feb. 24—Emporia State

LADY LIONS

Nov. 17-18—Mr. Goodcents/Lady Lions Tip-
off Classic
Nov. 21—Evangel College
Nov. 24-25—Pittsburg State
Thanksgiving Classic
Nov. 28—Oklahoma Baptist
Dec. 2—Culver Stockton College
Dec. 9—Pittsburg State
Dec. 29-30—Cal State Univ.-Stanislaus
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Our superlative sports staff selects its weekend winners

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THE PLAYERS	Southern at Northwest Mo.	K State vs. Nebraska	San Francisco vs. St. Louis	win 1 closest score 1
Nick Parker Sports Editor	SOUTHERN 27-24	NEBRASKA 35-14	ST. LOUIS 27-24	4
Rick Rogers Associate Editor	SOUTHERN 34-17	NEBRASKA 41-24	ST. LOUIS 31-27	5
J.L. Griffin Associate Editor	SOUTHERN 32-24	NEBRASKA 45-18	ST. LOUIS 21-14	5
Ryan Bronson Executive Editor	SOUTHEKN 28-3	NEBRASKA 42-21	SF 36-14	6

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Southern's Lion mascot takes a seat among the Miner's Bowl crowd of more than 8,500 fans. It was the 10th annual Miner's Bowl meeting between the Missouri Southern Lions and the Pittsburg State University Gorillas. PSU won the game 15-14.

MINER'S
BOWL

Jungle Rumble



(From left) Steve Halvorson, Richard Jordan, and Gino Pierce attempt to recover a loose ball Saturday night. Halvorson recovered the fumble and Albert Bland followed with the Southern's first touchdown.



Freshman quarterback Brad Cornelsen evades the pass rush of a Pittsburg State player. Cornelsen is 3-1 as a starter for the Lions.

Gorillas squeak past Lions in 15-14 thriller

By RICK ROGERS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Behind a final series which ran the last 8:11 off the clock, the Pittsburg State University Gorillas captured their ninth Miner's Bowl victory in 10 seasons.

With the 15-14 win, the No. 8 Gorillas improve to 5-0-1 overall and sit atop the MIAA with a 5-0 record. The Lions fall to 4-2 overall, 3-2 in the MIAA.

Southern head coach Jon Lantz said some miscues on both sides of the ball hurt the Lions throughout the game, but no matter what the final score he was proud of his team.

"You have to give PSU credit; they pulled the plays when they needed them," Lantz said. "We missed some key tackles at times, but you have to realize we played three or four players who were not ready for this type of game."

"We are very proud of our young men's effort. If you graded us on effort, I think we played well enough to win a big football game like this one."

In the three games before Saturday's Miner's Bowl contest, the Lions had outscored their opponents 63-0 in the third quarter.

But Southern's streak came to a sudden end, in front of more than 8,500 fans at Fred G. Hughes Stadium, when PSU's senior quarterback Jeff Moreland and junior wide receiver Chris Hudson began to establish a substantial Gorilla passing attack.

The Moreland-Hudson connection racked up 77 yards, the final 11 yards coming off a touchdown catch on the right side of the end zone, giving PSU the lead for good at 15-14.

Moreland finished the game completing seven of 11 passes for 145 yards and one touchdown. Hudson had four catches for 90 yards, including a 44-yard grab that sparked the Gorillas' final scoring drive.

Lantz said even though Moreland had one of his best games passing, he thought his young secondary, including freshman cornerback A.J. Jones, who was covering Hudson, did as well as he expected.

"It didn't take them long to find certain people in our secondary that we were playing without any big-game experience, but what are we going to do, put his back-up in?" Lantz asked. "He is first team for a reason. He has three more games like this to play in, and who knows, in those three years he may make the game-winning interception for us."

Trailing 9-7 at halftime, the Lions began the third quarter in their usual fashion.

An 11-yard fumble recovery by Southern's junior linebacker Matt Wehner put freshman quarterback Brad Cornelsen and the Lions' offense in good field position at the PSU 19-yard line. Five plays later, Cornelsen scored his fourth touchdown of his young career with a 3-yard run at the 11:59 mark of the third quarter.

Cornelsen finished the game with seven yards rushing and 110 yards passing, completing eight of 17 attempts.

"Considering the circumstances in playing the No. 8 team in the country with a great defense, I thought Brad handled himself with tremendous poise, and he is going to beat Pittsburg State before his career is over," Lantz said.

Southern capitalized on both of its fumble recoveries for touchdowns.

Steve Halvorson's fumble recovery set up the first Lion touchdown, after the Gorillas' tailback Ed Fairchild mishandled the pitch from Moreland.

It took senior tailback Albert Bland, who had his lowest rushing total of the season with 54 yards, just one play to put the Lions up 7-6 with a 27-yard touchdown run.

Lantz said he knew the game would come down to who was better on the defensive side of the ball. "Our defense has stepped up on

fourth-down numerous times this season," he said. "Our defense played as well as they can play, especially if you can hold the No. 5 team in the country to 15 points. If you would have told me that we would hold them to 15 points, I would have taken it and taken our chances."

"They scored on a drive after a Cornelsen interception, and then we scored on two fumble recoveries," he said. "So both teams were opportunistic on turnovers."

In the fourth quarter, the Lions were not only competing against the Gorillas, but also with the game clock.

Branton Dawson's 36-yard punt pinned the Gorillas on their own 3-yard line with 8:11 left in the game.

But PSU's offense held its ground and put together its longest drive of the night, eating all 8:11 left on the clock to keep the Miner's Bowl trophy in the Gorillas' hands.

"We just never got the opportunity to get the football back," Lantz said. "Mature football teams and teams that go a long way and win are able to control the ball in the final minutes of a football game. They were able to do that against us."

"We had two great plays that kept the drive going," PSU head coach Chuck Broyles said. "We just tried to keep the ball on the ground and throw it out of pure necessity. Jeff [Moreland] and Eddie [Fairchild] really made some great plays to keep the ball rolling."

Senior linebacker Melvin Monet, who played in his last Miner's Bowl game, thought the loss shouldn't affect the team's outlook on the rest of the season.

"I just want everybody to keep working hard," he said. "The Pittsburg State game has such a great atmosphere, and we need games like these. After I leave, I just want to pass the torch onto them and for them to keep hustling." □

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